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Kinnock risks major split on nuclear policy

Labour leader abandons unilateralist stance

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Mr Neil Kinnock yesterday broke with the past by explicitly abandoning unilateralism and burying old-style nationalization.

The Labour Party leader made clear publicly for the first time that an incoming Labour government would not unilaterally strip Britain of nuclear weapons.

However, Labour would use the Trident missile system as a bargaining counter in East-West disarmament negotiations to win greater worldwide reductions in nuclear arsenals.

In remarks certain to provoke anger among his left-wing opponents Mr Kinnock, in his first important interview since the completion of the first phase of the party's post-election policy review, said: "We want to get rid of Trident. But the fact is now that it does not have to be something for nothing. The fact is now it can be something for something.

"There is no need now for something for nothing unilateralism."

He said it was already clear that bilateral reciprocal missile for missile reductions between "any part of the West" and the Soviet Union had been on for some time.

He said that his personal adherence to unilateralism had been appropriate at a time when nothing was happening over disarmament. But now the "logjam had been broken" and the leaders of the United States and the Soviet Union had walked together in Red Square and talked of the the objective of ridding the planet of nuclear weapons.

What Labour now had to consider was how best it could accelerate the process.

He said Labour remained committed to decommissioning Britain's independent deterrent. "What we get in return for that decommissioning is a bonus for Britain and a bonus for the world.

"There are people who want us to slam the door and say that involves us in the politics of reality . . . that involves us in getting generally lower force levels and it does not ring quite so brassy on the ear. I am sorry about that. I am interested in getting rid of nuclear weapons, whoever has them."

Mr Kinnock's words confirmed the suspicions of the left, which felt since the election that the unilateralist stance would be watered down.

Labour fought the election on a straight commitment to decommission Polaris and cancel Trident.

At the time of last autumn's conference Mr Kinnock suggested Trident might be used as a bargaining chip, but yesterday's remarks were the first outright confirmation that this would be the case.

Mr Tony Benn, who is standing against Mr Kinnock for the leadership, last night attacked the "bland and empty " statements in the party policy review.

Speaking in Preston he said that a coalition was emerging between the Government and Labour front benches in the Commons on which they seemed to agree on some of the main political issues, including the level of defence spending with a nuclear Nato under American control.

But in his interview on BBC's *This Week Next Week* Mr Kinnock made plain that he is prepared to ride out such criticism.

He derided a call from Mr Ken Livingstone for him to reaffirm the commitment to unilateralism as "an incantation from someone who does not have the basic comprehension of what the opportunities are, not just of getting rid of our nuclear weapons but also making a significant reduction in the nuclear weapons of the Soviet Union".

In the course of his forthright interview on the policy review Mr Kinnock was felt to have slaughtered several sacred cows.

Asked whether old-style nationalization was dead, after the policy review's recommendation of a new policy on public ownership, Mr Kinnock replied: "Yes. There is universal consensus about that."

Mr Kinnock attacked some of the opponents of change in party policy as people who enjoyed being in opposition rather than in government.

He said that people who dusted themselves down and got stuck in, determined to secure democratic power were the ones he liked. "The ones who go around whingeing are the ones I do not get on with.

"What we are doing is ensuring in terms of policy and in terms of the party that we face the future "

He said: "There are some toes to be trodden on in the process of that. That is a small price to pay."

There has been a significant fall in the number of people who regard the poll tax and the social services, including the NHS, as major issues. Although Labour has campaigned heavily on both, the latest MORI poll for Times Newspapers shows that only 9 per cent cite the poll tax as a key issue and 13 per cent cite social security — each down 4 per cent in a month — page 2

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Solo yachtswoman's record



Home in triumph: Kay Cottee waving to the crowds who welcomed her in Sydney yesterday, 189 days after she set sail on her record-breaking round-the-world voyage.

Moscow police escort protest marchers to Kremlin walls

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

The recent rash of unofficial protests in the Soviet Union took a dramatic new twist yesterday when about 50 Armenians, Crimean Tatars and members of a newly-formed opposition group marched towards the Kremlin under uniformed police escort shouting slogans and waving banners.

The incident, later condemned by Tass as a "concert" staged for Western journalists here to cover the millennium of Russian Christianity, reflected the growing problems facing the security forces when dealing with protests under the watchful eye of the Western media.

As one senior Western diplomat explained: "It is becoming increasingly hard for the KGB to deal with these manifestations by traditional bully-boy methods and yet still claim to support the official policy of *glasnost*."

As *The Times* reported on the eve of last week's Reagan-Gorbachov summit, there has been a growing number of unofficial protests in different parts of the Soviet Union in recent months, covering a large number of issues. On many occasions the protests appear to have been tolerated by the authorities.

Yesterday the demonstrators first gathered in Pushkin Square near the city centre, carrying placards denouncing Stalinism and calling for a a multi-party system and freedom for political prisoners.

Then, announcing their intention to march to Red Square — where unapproved protests are banned — the demonstrators formed an orderly column and still shouting out their demands marched towards the Kremlin with an escort of half a dozen police as passers-by looked on in surprise.

Apparently acting on higher orders, police used megaphones to keep the marchers in order and out of the way of traffic, but otherwise ther authorities did not interfere until the marchers reached Soviet Square about 300 yards from the Kremlin walls.

It was believed to have been one of the first protest marches of its kind seen in the capital, although static demonstrations by unofficial groups have recently become more common.

The protesters held a meeting which was addressed by leaders of the newly-formed opposition group, the Democratic Union, which called for a multi-party system. The grouping has faced much KGB harrassment since its founding.

Speakers also included Crimean Tatars who demanded to return to their Black Sea homeland from which they were deported by Stalin.

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Hurd takes hard line over prison terms for murder

By Our Chief Political Correspondent

Murderers will have to spend many more years in prison under a new hard-line approach adopted by Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary.

Ministers are ordering longer minimum stays for nearly all kinds of murder in response to the growing public alarm over violent crime.

News of the tough approach emerged as MPs prepared for tomorrow's Commons vote on the death penalty, which is certain again to be rejected by a majority of more than a hundred that will include Mr Hurd and his ministerial team.

Under a policy which has not been announced but which has operated for several months the minimum stay period, or "tariff", fixed by the Home Secretary has been increased for many murderers. Informed sources said the period set is now higher than it would have been "in the majority of cases". In a handful of cases the prison term has been set at 50 years.

The increases apply both to murderers already subject to the rule preventing them being considered for parole until they have served at least 20 years in prison, and to other murderers to whom that rule does not apply.

Offences which come into the former category are terrorist murder, murder of policemen and prison officers, murder using firearms, and murders of children who have been sexually attacked.

With Mr Hurd's full backing Mr Douglas Hogg, Minister of State at the Home Office, who is charge of considering individual cases, has been raising the minimum stay periods.

The Parole Board normally considers individual cases three years before the minimum stay expires, although it reviews all cases after 20 years.

A murderer whose stay was set at 17 years would first have his case reviewed after 14 years, although ministers review cases after 10 years. They are unlikely to reject Parole Board recommendations for release if the original tariff set has been reached.

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It was made plain yesterday that ministers consider each case on its merits.

Mr Hogg said: "There are many cases in which a killer must expect to serve very long periods in prison, sometimes greatly in excess of 20 years. It is a mistake to suppose that any killer could expect to be able to serve only 10 or 12 years. That is an illusion."

● The Home Office is planning to take over the fighter base at RAF Binbrook in Lincolnshire to help ease overcrowding in jails.

Non-stop around the world

From Christopher Morris, Sydney

Amid tears, cheers, champagne and flowers, Kay Cottee yesterday sailed home to Sydney and into the history books — the first woman to sail solo non-stop around the world.

At the helm of her storm-battered yacht Miss Cottee, aged 34, who is Australian, received a tumultuous welcome as she crossed the finish line at the end of an epic voyage of 25,000 nautical miles

Hundreds of yachts and small boats sailed out under Sydney Harbour Bridge to greet her, while ferries sounded their horns and fire-fighting tugs sprayed out plumes of water.

On board the 38ft yacht Blackmore's First Lady, an emotional Miss Cottee burst into tears. She was a tiny figure, standing barefoot on the deck. When she left Sydney on November 29, there were just a handful of people to wave farewell. Yesterday an estimated quarter of a million people saw her return.

It had been her childhood ambition to become the first woman to sail non-stop around the world alone. Dame Naomi James, the New Zealand yachtswoman completed her circumnavigation some years ago but made five stops.

She set six records. She also recorded the fastest speed and fastest time by a woman for a circumnavigation, the longest

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Soviet train blast kills at least 68

From Our Own Correspondent, Moscow

The Soviet Union suffered one of its worst rail disasters at the weekend when at least 68 people were killed and a further 230 injured after a freight train carrying industrial explosives blew up mysteriously as it was pulling into the town of Arzamas, east of Moscow.

As a result of the policy of *glasnost*, graphic details of the accident were rapidly provided with Tass reporting yesterday that the blast, some 250 miles from the Soviet capital, hurled the train into the air, levelled 150 houses and gouged an 80 ft deep crater at the station.

Tass warned that some of the injured were in serious condition and that its casualty toll was preliminary. Among the dead were eight children, and 44 others required hospital treatment.



First news of the disaster was provided by Mr Gennady Vedernikov, a Deputy Prime Minister who was dispatched to the area in charge of a 14-member emergency commission set up to investigate the explosion at 9.30 am on Saturday.

The commission chief told *Izvestia* that many of the victims had been killed while sitting inside vehicles which were waiting at a railroad crossing near the station.

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Air delays build up for holidaymakers

By Andrew Moger

Thousands of British travellers booked on charter flights suffered long waits in packed airport lounges early today after a second night of delays because of industrial action by Spanish air traffic controllers.

Some holidaymakers were delayed for 18 hours at the weekend after the introduction of a flow-control system designed to make flying safer, but which has the disadvantage of increasing uncertainty about take-off times.

The new system causes a build-up of aircraft in Spanish air space covered by the Barcelona air traffic control area, where controllers have complained they have to handle up to 19 flights simultaneously when the recommended maximum is 10.

In Britain the knock-on effect caused delays for some Gatwick flights of up to eight hours and at Manchester a backlog of 5,000 passengers built up on Saturday as they waited for an average of three to four hours.

Last night Manchester airport was getting ready to handle a similar number.

"Nearly every flight going south into Spain is delayed," said a spokesman "It is impossible to say how soon the situation will improve."

Passengers at Jersey airport, also affected as the delays spread, waited for between four and five hours for flights from Gatwick, Glasgow and Cardiff, with passengers returning to the mainland less badly affected.

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French Socialists' fate in balance

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

With a record number of French voters staying away from yesterday's first round in the parliamentary elections, first computer projections were differing on whether the Socialists would gain the 289 seats required for a majority.

The confusion between polling organizations made it impossible to judge at the close of voting who is best placed to win next Sunday's final round. There was general agreement, however, that the National Front and Communist vote had collapsed as expected, leaving both parties in danger of losing all the 35 deputies each had in the previous Parliament. The exceptionally high proportion of abstentions upset all forecasts.

Early counts from various regions suggested that voter turnout was below the comparable level for the 1986 parliamentary elections, though Parisians appeared to be bucking the trend. With Henri Leconte carrying the flag against Mats Wilander live on TV in the final of the French Open Tennis Championship during the afternoon, only the most intrepid canvassers were out knocking up last-minute supporters.

Drivers may use credit cards for 'on spot' fines

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Payment of fines by credit card is being considered by a Home Office working party chaired by the Home Office to tackle the mounting backlog of unpaid fixed penalty tickets for minor traffic offences.

The fixed penalty system, brought in less than two years ago to ease the congestion in courts caused by millions of parking offences, has become too successful. Under the system, many minor traffic offences no longer have to be dealt with in the courts and are instead covered by fixed penalty tickets issued "on the spot." Motorists who accept the fine must pay within 28 days or the fine goes up.

So many tickets have now been issued that ticket offices are struggling to cope with follow-up and enforcement procedures. Mr Peter Dawson, chairman of the Justices' Clerks' Society's road traffic law committee, said in some areas, the backlog of unpaid parking tickets is as much as 50 per cent of tickets issued.

The Home Office working party, of which he is a member and which includes magistrates, justices'clerks, fixed penalty clerks, ticket office and Driver and Vehicle and Licensing Centre (DVLC) representatives, has drawn up measures to tackle the problem. They include:

● Payment of car pound and wheel clamp fees, and possibly also fines at court, by credit card;
● A massive national television and radio publicity campaign emphasizing the importance of early payment;
● Increased fines for initial non-payment;
● More use of bailiffs to collect unpaid fines;
● A new offence to cover a false declaration by a driver about who owns the vehicle;
● Tightening of loopholes on car registration which allow partnerships to escape fine enforcement;
● Simplified fixed penalty ticket forms.

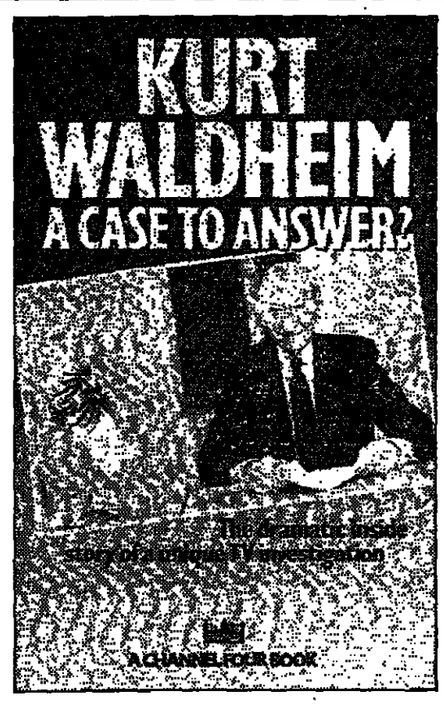
The idea of a national publicity campaign, Mr Dawson says, is to get over the message that if the fixed penalty is paid at once, then it is cheaper for the offender.

This may be reinforced by higher penalties for non-payment, so that the fine of £12 for non-endorsable offences, which rises to £18 for non-payment in 28 days would go instead to £24; and the fine of £24 for endorsable offences which goes to £36 would go instead to £48.

A pilot scheme has been set up to look at the use of credit cards for payment of fees at car pounds for collecting cars and having them unclamped. If successful, it could be extended to payment of fines at magistrates' courts.

The loophole by which drivers who register at the DVLC in the name of a partnership or unincorporated association cannot then be tracked down for fine enforcement purposes is a growing problem: this now accounts for 4 per cent of unpaid tickets and the percentage is mounting.

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More packets on drugs find beach

Customs were last night analysing cocaine with a street value of £4 million washed up on a beach and were examining powder found in two other packages near by. The drug, packed into 11 two-inch thick packets each containing one kilo of cocaine, was found by a man out for a walk at Saltdean, near Brighton, on Saturday.

"The packets obviously came from a vessel and we will continue our inquiries to try to find the drug smugglers", Customs said.

The two other packets containing white powder were discovered later washed up at Worthing, Sussex. The powder was wrapped in clear polythene and the packages were not identical to those found at Saltdean, but neither Customs nor police could say if it was a drug.

Charges hit museums

Admission charges are blamed for stunting the growth of museum visits last year. Figures issued yesterday by the British Tourist Authority show that Madame Tussaud's waxworks in London topped the list of paid "attractions" drawing a crowd of 2.4 million visitors. But the most popular spot for free entertainment was Blackpool Pleasure Beach with nearly 6.5 million visitors. The report says: "The below average 4 per cent increase in visits to museums has followed the introduction of museum charges at several major museums".

Junk mail welcome

Most people like getting junk mail and more than two-thirds open and read everything that comes through their letter boxes, according to figures published yesterday. The average home in the UK receives almost 30 items of mail each month and while 11.4 items are not specifically addressed to the occupant only 3.5 of these can be considered unsolicited mail, the Royal Mail said. Homes receive 5.5 free newspapers each month, 5.9 leaflets and coupons and 18.1 personally addressed items of mail.

Première for opera

The Royal Opera House is to mount the world première of a Donizetti opera after its missing second act was found in the cellars of Covent Garden. Although Gaetano Donizetti composed *Elisabetta di Siberia* in 1838, it was never performed and had been forgotten until Mr Will Crutchfield, an American musicologist, found acts one and three in the basement of the Royal Opera House four years ago. Last week Mr Richard Bonynge, the Australian conductor, chanced upon the manuscript of the second act while rummaging through a sack of ballet music.

Boy's scholarship

The youngest person ever to pass mathematics O level, ten-year-old John Adams, is not going to university until he is 16 but is to be an "ordinary schoolboy" at a local public school. John, who when he was awarded a C-grade in mathematics A level last August, announced that he would rather score a goal for Everton than be an academic, has won a scholarship to Oakham School, a £6,500 a year co-educational school within easy reach of his home in Asfordby, Leicestershire.

Big crowds at show

The Royal Bath and West Show which completed its four-day run on Saturday had the second best attendance in the 24 years that Shepton Mallet, Somerset, has been its permanent home. Rain and hail storms on the final day did not dissuade more than 39,000 visitors. The overall attendances reached 153,833 – 9,150 up on last year although 27,000 fewer than the 1978 record. Mr Bill Drewett, one of only three honorary show directors over the past 54 years, is standing down. The job will be split in two.

Fight to halt membership decline disrupted

TUC 'obsessed by electricians'

By Tim Jones and Roland Rudd

Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, received a crucial endorsement yesterday from a trade union leader who last month publicly voiced criticism of the TUC leadership.

Mr Alan Tuffin, general secretary of the Union of Communication Workers, had added his voice to a growing campaign against Mr Willis for his handling of the electricians' role in News International's move to Wapping, east London, and on the sensitive issue of no-strike deals.

Mr Tuffin told the union conference last month that the problems facing unions required "positive TUC leadership". This was taken as a veiled attack on Mr Willis.

However, in a letter to Mr Willis, which was released yesterday, Mr Tuffin said his remarks has been misinterpreted. His criticism was directed at others, notably the electricians, who "are not prepared to accept the overall authority of the General Council".

In the exchange of letters Mr Tuffin says: "I do assure you that in no way was that a direct, indirect or tip-of-the-iceberg criticism of your good self but rather our collective inability to deal with a number of critical issues."

The TUC had "messed up" the work of its Special Review Body, which was aiming to halt a decline in membership, because of an obsession with internal problems caused by the electricians' union, a union leader said yesterday.

Mr John Edmonds, general secretary of the GMB general union, said the TUC was involved in a battle about the future of the movement and "had better come down to earth".

He said it should abandon some of its committee work and concentrate on issues which would benefit ordinary working people. Instead, recent union victories had been overshadowed by a bleak cloud which seemed to hang permanently over the TUC.

Mr Edmonds said: "We should be looking outwards, but instead the TUC seems to have wasted another year picking the fluff out of Eric Hammond's navel".

Mr Hammond's union, the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union (EETPU), has been charged with bringing the movement into disrepute by its refusal to accept a disputes committee ruling that it must back out of two single-union agreements.

Mr Edmonds will be one of the General Council members who will decide later this month whether the union should be suspended. If that happens, then the expulsion of the EETPU by the TUC Congress next September will be virtually inevitable.

Mr Edmonds said the EETPU had been trying to defend itself by smearing other people.

The EETPU accused Mr Edmonds last night of hypocrisy, humbug and cant.

In the latest EETPU bulletin to union officials, the GMB is criticized for parading itself as the "new moral force in the TUC, in direct opposition to EETPU philosophy" while privately pursuing employers to sign no-strike deals.

"The GMB would command more respect had they, like the Manufacturing, Science and Finance (MSF) union, been against new-style agreements in theory and in practice.

"Unlike the MSF, who want the EETPU out of the TUC for political reasons, the GMB want us out, not on reasons of principle, but because they want the opposition destroyed in order to carry on signing arbitration-linked recognition agreements.

"The TUC code arising from the special review body will undoubtedly stop craft unions from entering into such agreements, but will it stop the general unions doing just that?" the pamphlet says.

Key issues poll cheers Tories

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

There have been significant falls in the numbers of people who regard the health service, social security and the community charge as the most important issues facing the country, according to the latest MORI opinion poll for Times Newspapers.

Ministers will be relieved that while 64 per cent of people thought the health service the most important issues in January, that figure has now dropped steadily to 44 per cent, a 6 per cent reduction on last month.

Only 9 per cent now regard the poll tax as among the key issues, a 4 per cent drop, and only 13 per cent see social security in that light, a 4 per cent fall.

The survey is a setback to Labour, which has staged campaigns on all three issues and had hoped to use them to eat further into the Conservative lead shown in recent opinion polls.

The MORI poll shows the Conservatives have taken a four-point lead over Labour. It puts the Conservatives on 44 per cent, Labour on 40 per cent, the Social and Liberal Democrats on 7 per cent and Dr David Owen's SDP on 6 per cent.

Another boost for the Government was the survey's finding that confidence in the economic prospects of the country is continuing to grow, in spite of the recent apparent rift between Downing Street and the Treasury.

According to MORI's economic optimism index, people's anticipation of a continuing improvement in the economy is now the highest since the general election.

The poll also showed that 30 per cent of Labour supporters were dissatisfied with the way Mr Kinnock is doing his job.

Some 14 per cent of Conservative supporters are unhappy with Mrs Thatcher's performance as Prime Minister. Among the pblic generally, 43 per cent are satisfied with Mrs Thatcher's performance and 37 per cent with Mr Kinnock's.

MORI interviewed a representative quota sample of 1,874 adults across Britain between May 27 and June 1.

Conservative	44%
Labour	40%
SLD	7%
SDP	6%

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Mastermind misses final



Mr David Beamish outside his "office" with the winner's glass rosebowl from BBC Television's Mastermind 1988 contest. Millions of viewers saw him lift the trophy last night, but he was not among them because he was on his way to Paris for a conference. Mr Beamish, aged 34, a House of Lords establishment officer, of Kennington, south-west London, was persuaded to enter the competition by his mother. His specialist subject was the life and times of Nancy Astor, the first woman to take a seat in the Commons. He said of his subject: "She lived such an interesting life but after having swotted up on her life story I did not like her that much".

Mr Beamish won the final, which was recorded at Stirling University with 35 points. Margaret Fleming from Brighton was second with 33; Philip Gray from Merseyside scored 32; Roya Bailey from Newbury, Berkshire was fourth with 29; and Barry McCartney, from Suffolk, scored 27.

Howe is 'content to serve leader'

By Our Chief Political Correspondent

Sir Geoffrey Howe yesterday confirmed his ambition to become prime minister, saying that reports of his political death had been "greatly exaggerated."

In his first remarks about reports of a rift with Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Sir Geoffrey denied that he was disappointed not to have been made deputy prime minister when Lord Whitelaw stood down, and played down the Prime Minister's remark that her successor should come from the next generation of politicians.

It was that interview which many ministers and MPs felt was behind Sir Geoffrey's intervention in the exchange rate dispute between Mrs Thatcher and Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, last month.

He spoke out then in favour of entry into the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System, which Mrs Thatcher opposes.

That in turn has led to speculation that Sir Geoffrey might be moved from the Foreign Office in the next reshuffle.

There is a growing belief among ministers, however, that Mr Lawson will stay at the Treasury for one more Budget.

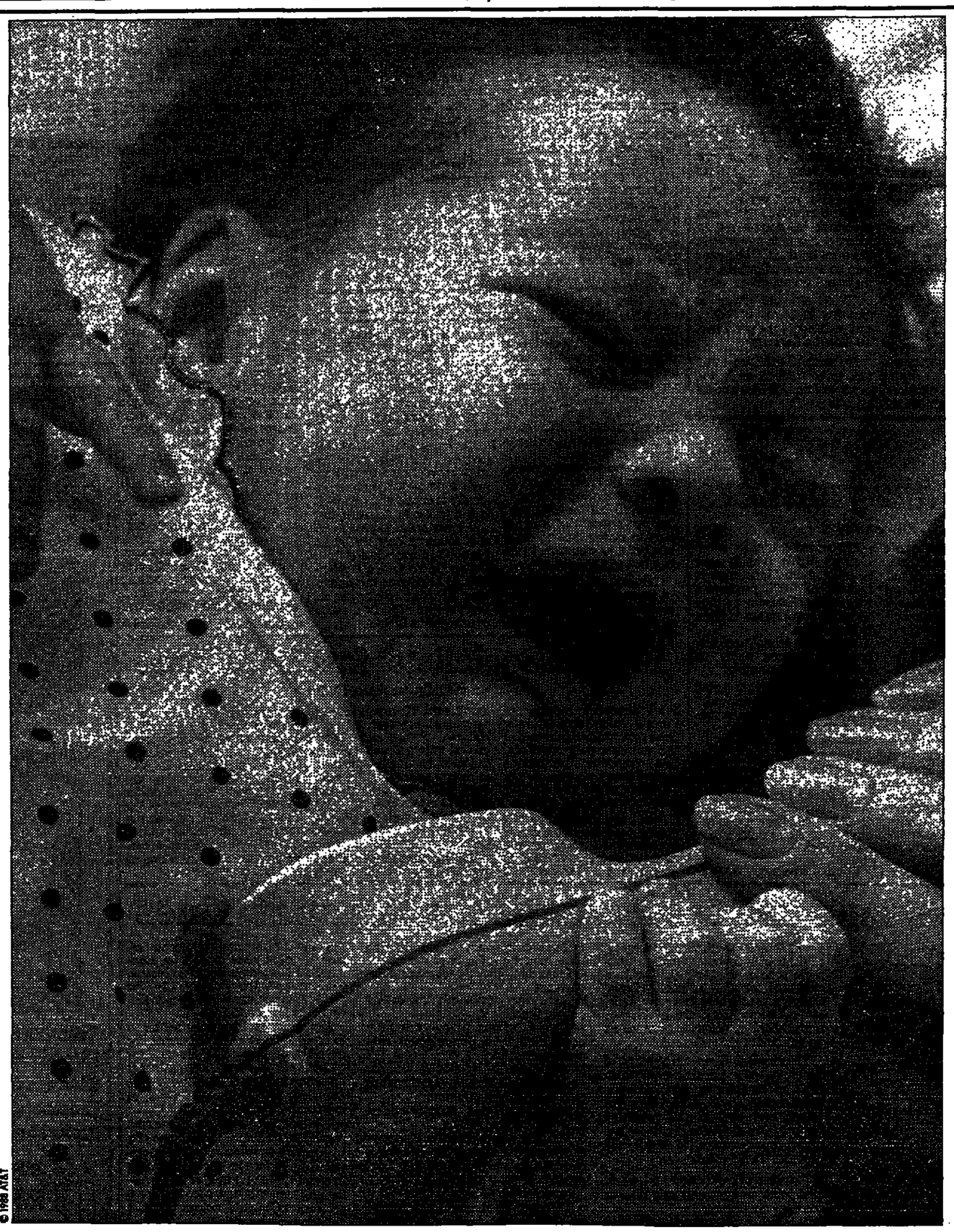
Sir Geoffrey, interviewed yesterday on TV-am, said: "My own position, quite frankly, is that Margaret Thatcher is Prime Minister. She is the leader of the party.

"She has had enormous international experience and standing and success in winning election after election in this country. I am content to go on serving in that partnership."

He then went on: "Obviously if something were to happen, if the opportunity were to arise, there is no one in politics who does not cherish the possibility of becoming prime minister."

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Lawrence urged to send book profits to Falklands fund

Tumbledown girl's plea to injured hero

By Howard Foster

The former girl friend of Mr Robert Lawrence, who was severely wounded in the Falklands conflict, urged him last night to contribute to the South Atlantic Fund in the aftermath of the controversial BBC Television play, *Tumbledown*.

Miss Victoria Calder-Smith, aged 24, also asked the makers of any future drama based on the fighting to draw a clear distinction between real and imaginary characters after complaints by herself and her family that the play showed her in a poor light as someone who had not cared for Lieutenant Lawrence after his return to England.

Tumbledown, which was shown on BBC1 last week, brought severe criticism of Mr Lawrence, upon whose book, *When the Fighting is Over*, the film was based.

Mr Lawrence lost 40 per cent of his brain when he was wounded by a sniper's bullet in the last hours of the fighting in 1982. The book and play were critical of the treatment he received later from medical authorities and the public.

Miss Calder-Smith, of Chelsea, south-west London, said: "Personally speaking, if anything is to come from the film, it would be a percentage of the profits from the book on which the film was based to go to the victims through the South Atlantic Fund.

"The reason I am speaking out now is that I feel very strongly about the film itself, not about the way I was portrayed", she said.

"In my opinion, it was very one-sided in several ways, leaving me out of it all together. The worst aspect was the way it showed the medical staff who treated Robert when he returned to England.

"It made out they didn't treat him that well when they were, in fact, terrific. It was an insult to them.

"As for the Army, they made it seem as if no-one apart from Robert's family and myself, once, visited him in hospital. It wasn't like that at all. The Army was very helpful and a great support to him.

"The film was a mixture of fact and fiction, a very dangerous thing to do", she said.

"Robert himself is actually a much nicer person than how he was portrayed in the film.

On Saturday, *The Times* published a letter from Miss Calder-Smith's mother, which complained that the play misrepresented her daughter as "nothing more than feelingless sex kitten".

The play showed a girl called Sophie in bed with the lieutenant and telling him that their relationship was over.

Mr Lawrence has also advised on a new film for Channel 4, called *Resurrected*, which is said to criticize the Scots Guards. It is based on the story of Mr Philip Williams, a guardsman, who went missing for seven weeks on the night of the Tumbledown battle.

Miss Calder-Smith said she did not know that her mother, a great niece of a former Scots Gards commander, had written to *The Times*.

"She and the rest of my family are dreadfully upset by the whole thing and, like me, just want to forget about it. I am not taking any action against the BBC over the way I was portrayed."

Mrs Rosemary Calder-Smith, her mother, said last night that the family still had a great affection for Mr Lawrence. She said she had written out of anger at the treatment of her daughter in the play.

"Nothing was mentioned of the unfailing support and encouragement which my daughter gave to him during his first month back in England", Mrs Calder-Smith, of Binfield Heath, Oxfordshire, said.

"A number of his friends stood by him and he was never forgotten, which was what the play showed. It was Victoria who gave Robert the will to pull through."



Miss Victoria Calder-Smith, former girl friend of Mr Lawrence, and her mother Rosemary (Photographs: Julian Herbert)

Scots Guards stay tight-lipped on second film

By Robin Young

The Scots Guards refused to comment yesterday on their reaction to the news that a second film is being made about the adverse experiences of one of their soldiers because of the Falkland Islands conflict.

A week after the screening of *Tumbledown* on BBC1, Channel 4 is well advanced with the making of *Resurrected*, a film inspired by the story of Guardsman Philip Williams, of the 2nd battalion, Scots Guards, who went missing, presumed dead, for seven weeks after the battle for Mount Tumbledown.

Mr Williams claims that although he was cleared by an official inquiry, he was subsequently bullied by fellow guardsmen to such an extent that he suffered a nervous breakdown and had to leave the Army.

He has since been unable to hold a steady job and has served a term of youth custody for harming two young girls while baby-sitting.

In the film which Channel 4 is making, the young soldier is subjected to a mock trial by his fellow soldiers, dragged into a bath of bleach, scrubbed with stiff brushes and beaten.

The Ministry of Defence said yesterday: "There will be no comment. We have seen no script and have had no contact with the company making the film".

Channel 4 said: "If it were not being filmed immediately after the screening of *Tumbledown*, there would not have been any fuss."

The film was commissioned by Mr David Rose, who is in charge of the acclaimed *Film on 4* series. It is scripted by Martin Allen, who won Thames Television's award for the best play in 1985 with *Particular Friendships*.

Floating stores to cut ferry losses

By Michael Dynes

A generation of floating department stores for cross-Channel shoppers is being planned by British ferry companies for the 1990s.

Built from modified roll-on roll-off ferries, the off-shore superstores are seen as a possible solution to the potentially devastating losses expected after the abolition of duty-free sales under the European single market in 1992.

The embryonic scheme is likely to involve the extensive use of franchise facilities – similar to those at airports – to sell a wide selection of discount consumer products.

Mr James Hannah, Sealink British Ferries' corporate communications director, said that ferry companies were only just becoming aware of the enormous opportunities that existed for skilful marketing to a captive audience.

"Dublin airport, for example, is now selling more black silk lingerie than many major high street stores. It is quite a phenomenon. I suspect its probably the only chance businessmen get to buy their wives a gift."

Mr Graeme Dunlop, managing director of the P & O European Ferries, has commissioned a detailed report on the viability of installing shopping arcades on his ferries.

"We are making our plans now on the assumption that the European internal market will be a reality in 1992. If we are going to survive, it is the only prudent course of action."

The approximation of fiscal taxation will make duty-free sales anachronistic, and their expected abolition will deprive ferry companies of revenue that exceeded £161 million last year.

The companies fear that without the appeal of duty-free sales, the off-season day-trip excursion sector might decline radically.

The Duty Free Confederation has launched a campaign to keep duty-free concessions until "the last customs officer leaves the last frontier within the European Community".

But everyone involved in the duty-free industry understands that it is fighting a rear-guard action. It is only a question of time before the Englishman's inalienable right to duty-free alcohol and cigarettes is finally abolished in the name of European unity.

Portfolio —PLUS NEW— Accumulator

Patience pays off

Mr Reginald Hewett yesterday had some advice for players of *The Times* Portfolio competition after he collected the weekly prize of £8,000.

"This is my first win, not only in Portfolio. I have never won anything at all and I would be happy to advise people to keep on checking".

Mr Hewett, a former police sergeant who served in the Thames Valley force for 26 years, said.

"I was totally suprised but of course delighted. I had done the competition since it started."

Mr Hewett, of Portland Place, London, said a holiday to New Zealand with his wife, Eileen, is likely to be one of his priorities.



Mr Hewett: A holiday in New Zealand

Marriage split

The Princess of Wales's mother, Mrs Frances Shand Kydd, said yesterday she and her second husband, Peter, have separated. A statement from her solicitors said no one else was involved. The couple have four children.

Bough threat

Frank Bough, the television presenter, said yesterday he will see his lawyers today about seeking writs for libel against the *News of the World* and *The People* after they reported on his alleged payments to vice girls.

Close moves

People who move home in England like to stay in the same area and most travel less than 50 miles to their new property, according to a survey by Savills, the estate agents, published yesterday.

Moving house

The sixteenth century Essex Arms public house in Hereford is to be moved brick by brick 12 miles to the Queenswood arboretum on Dinsmore Hill, Leominster.

Consultant gives £12,000 to rescue bone disease unit

By Boris Johnson

A consultant who has given £12,000 to keep open a bone disease unit will have talks tomorrow with Mrs Edwina Currie, Under Secretary of State for Health, in an attempt to save the beds.

Dr John Kanis, who runs the unit at the Royal Hallamshire hospital in Sheffield, has agreed to give a third of his salary as an emergency measure until further health service funds can be obtained.

He said: "It is a tragedy that this centre for excellence faces the axe. I will be explaining to the minister why I have had to take this step, in the face of the increasing problem of bone disease in this country."

Sheffield Health Authority told Dr Kanis that the unit would be kept open only if he could find a credible mechanism for continued funding.

His gift was raised through an overdraft with the Royal Bank of Scotland, with a private company acting as a guarantor for the loan. It would be the first time an NHS facility was financed through a private overdraft.

The money is enough to keep the eight-bed unit running for another two months. It serves 100 patients a week and specializes in the treatment of osteoporosis, or brittle bones, which affects about three million women in Britain, particularly those of post-menopausal age.

Dr Kanis, who is president of the European Foundation of Osteoporosis and Bone Disease, said: "The incidence of osteoporosis has doubled over the past 15 years. There are only four or five similar units in the country."

The unit is internationally recognized as a treatment centre and for research into the disease, which is the most common cause of hip fractures in elderly women, and is estimated to cost the NHS £500 million a year.

The unit faces closure as part of cuts by Sheffield Health Authority to prevent an overspend in the district's £175 million budget.

Mr John Brassington, the district treasurer, said: "Our first priority is to maintain activity levels, but we have got to the position in high technology medical areas where we cannot sustain this activity".

● The Queen Mother has written to staff at the Brackenhill old people's home in York, which North Yorkshire County Council may close, expressing her pleasure that it has been given a temporary reprieve.

● Professor Michael Preece of the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, said yesterday that 1,800 children with growth problems who were treated with human growth hormone before 1985 should be told not to give blood. They may be carrying an infectious agent that attacks the brain.

● Five patients have died while taking the anti-depressant drug, fluvoxamine, which is marketed as Faverin. The Department of Health and Social Security said it should not be given to patients with a history of epilepsy.

Dormouse facing extinction

By Andrew Morgan

The dormouse is an endangered species, the Department of the Environment confirmed yesterday.

Dormice are largely limited to Devon, Somerset, Kent, Sussex, and the Welsh borders. Effectively, though, they are extinct north of Norfolk and the department's announcement confirms a Nature Conservancy Council declaration of the species as endangered.

Experts were yesterday using radio collars to monitor movements of the dormouse. The experiments are taking place in the West Country after catching the mice in special nest boxes which have been placed on trees under a scheme funded by World Wide Fund for Nature.

Dr Pat Morris, an authority on the rodent, said that tracked mice were last week, eating sycamore and hawthorn flowers. Others will have radio collars fitted soon to collate their food requirement to provide information for reserves.

Dormice have declined because of poor summers and changes in land use, with the reduction of copses through the spread of agriculture.

Charity wants to run Heveningham Hall

Manor rescue bid launched

By Sarah Jane Checkland

Enthusiasts want to take over "the grandest Georgian manor in Suffolk".

The Suffolk Building Preservation Trust, a registered charity, wants to run Heveningham Hall, a Grade One building designed in the 1780s, which has been the subject of two public inquiries.

Mr Paul Edwards, director of the Suffolk Preservation Society, which runs the trust, said: "We are trying to find a way out of the impasse and save Heveningham for the nation.

"A quick result was promised after the inquiry because of the continued delay in the repair of the building, and nothing has so far happened." The trust wants to restore the house and open it to the public; it might also be used for concerts.

Heveningham was bought for £300,000 by the Government from the Vanneck family trustees in 1970. Eleven years later, it was sold to a private buyer, named by Mr Michael Heseltine, then Secretary of State for the Environment, as Mr Abdul Al-Ghazzi, an Arab businessman.

Rebuilding began, but in June 1984 all work stopped when the east wing was wrecked by fire.

After the first proposal on the hall's future was rejected in 1983, Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, ordered a second public inquiry, which took place in February this year.

During the evidence it emerged that the property was sold to I.D. Investment Development AG of Switzerland, not Mr Al-ghazzi.

● Lord Carnarvon, has asked his local council for money to with a £26,000 bill for repairs to his castle, Highclere, Hampshire.

Romans victorious over Georgians

By Ian Smith

A Roman fortress built in AD69 has been preferred by Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for the Environment, over a Grade Two Georgian town house.

Mr Ridley has over-ruled a recommendation from his planning inspector, and agreed that Dee House in Chester should be demolished to excavate the Roman amphitheatre which lies below.

Deva Roman Centre Ltd, supported by Chester City Council, is now finalizing plans to demolish Dee House in Little St John Street and begin excavations.

Over the next two years an archaeological team will unearth the amphitheatre and surrounding structures which demonstrate the development of the Chester fortress.

The £11 million development involves reconstructing a portion of amphitheatre seating and outer fortress wall and building a two-storey interpretation centre.

The centre, designed to the same format as the highly successful Viking centre in York, will contain life-sized models depicting life in Chester under Roman rule.

More than half a million visitors a year are expected to visit the centre once it has been completed.

Irish brothers hopeful of court victory

By Paul Vallely

At first everybody thought it a great joke when brothers Christopher and Michael McGimpsey decided to take the Anglo-Irish agreement to court.

Now, however, with a date fixed for next Tuesday, and government lawyers in Dublin and London having had a chance to study the McGimpsey challenge that the agreement violates the Irish constitution, there is not a little apprehension.

The McGimpseys are part of the new generation of Ulster Unionists. They were brought up in a traditional "loyalist" family, where politics were in the blood.

But Christopher, aged 35, earned a doctorate in Irish history at the University of Edinburgh and Michael, aged 40, graduated from Trinity College, Dublin, his Protestant viewpoint broadened by contact with the political views of Catholics in the South.

When the Unionists decided to boycott the All-Ireland Forum, set up to contemplate wider options for the future of the island, the McGimpseys disagreed. They travelled to the republic to put what Christopher McGimpsey called "the moderate, rational, Unionist position" to the conference.

"We told them the republicans had hijacked Irishness. We feel both Irish and British in the way someone could feel both Welsh and British." Many Unionists were annoyed but some republicans said that for the first time they saw Unionism as a respectable political position.

The brothers, whose views remain Unionist, have since been regarded as political mavericks, a reputation confirmed when the two wealthy businessmen hired a team of Dublin's top constitutional lawyers and laid a writ before the High Court there.

Mr Christopher McGimpsey said yesterday: "First, under Article 1 of the agreement, Dublin has recognised Northern Ireland as a separate entity, contrary to Articles 2 and 3 of its constitution. Second, it breaches a constitutional clause which says that the Dublin Government is not allowed to give away the free exercise of power to foreign states."

The agreement also breaches, he claims, the constitutional requirement for a referendum in certain circumstances and the insistence that the island should be governed democratically: Unionists argue that direct rule from Westminster is undemocratic.

"We are confident that we have a stateable case and are capable of winning", Mr McGimpsey said. "One of the points of their (Dublin's) defence is that we have no *locus standi* in this case. This seems very odd. We are in their eyes Irish citizens. They give us Irish passports but then say we can have no material interests in the Irish constitution."

"If we are right in our challenge, it will mean the Irish Government is illegally spending taxpayers' money on the conference and secretariat."

He said the agreement was signed over the heads of the majority of people in Ulster.



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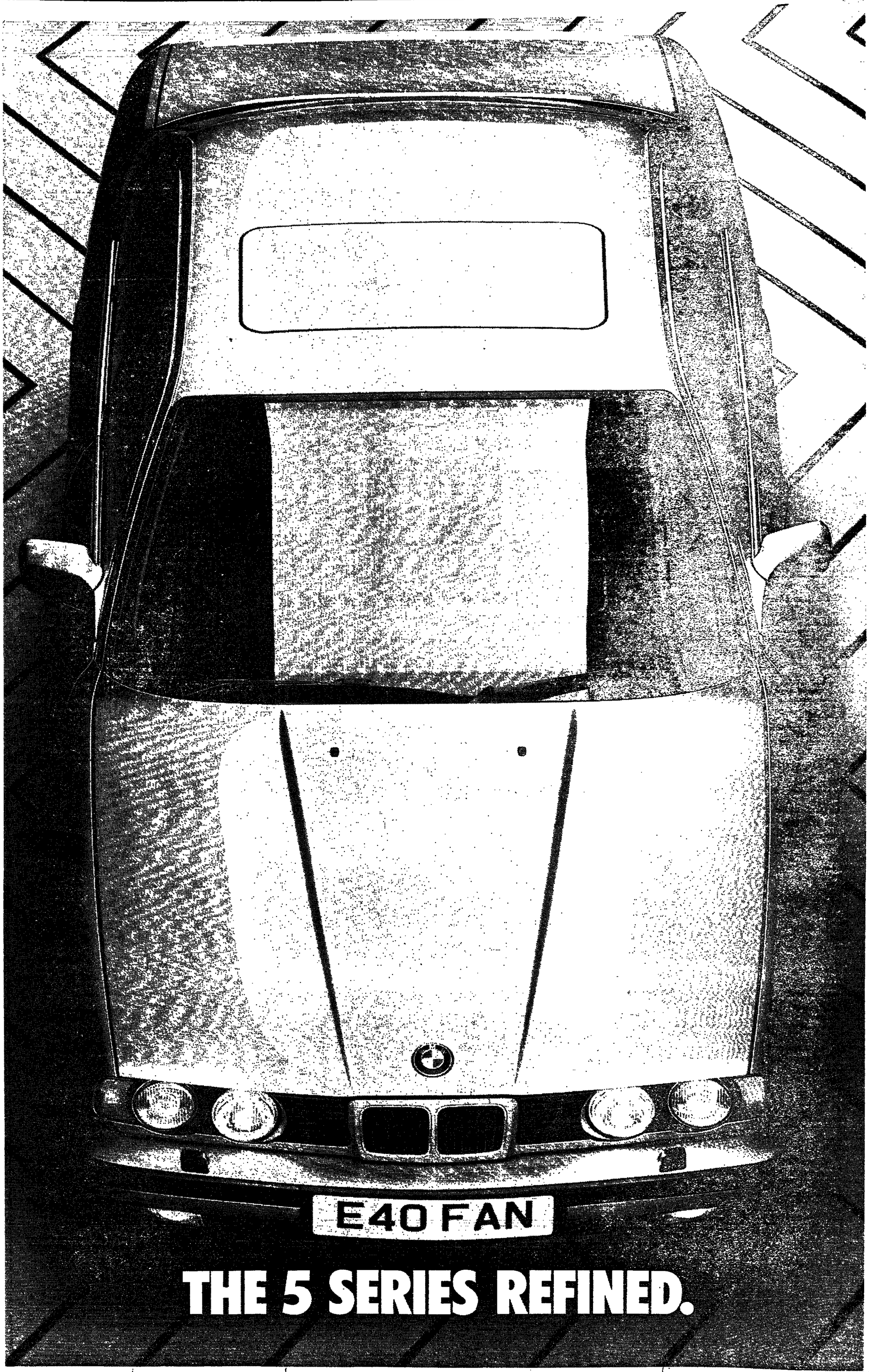
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The current 5 Series, though six years old, includes the world's fastest four door production saloon.

And as for producing some new form of performance saloon, could BMW engineers triumph where others have not?

Frankly, it would appear that they have.

Motoring journalists have not only been unstinting in their praise of the new 5 Series, but also unanimous.

It is no mere facelift. The designers began with a blank sheet of paper.

And not one body panel is carried over from the previous model.

STYLED BY WIND, AS MUCH AS BY HAND.

The new car has a drag coefficient as low as 0.30. With even the floor pan shaped, to provide increased grip at speed.

But though BMW reduced the car's wind resistance, they succeeded in retaining its character. As 'Car' magazine reported:

"...its styling is modern, purposeful and yet unmistakably BMW."

Some credit for the car's appearance must go to those who engineered the chassis. Its wider track, longer wheelbase and lower centre of gravity give the car a sleek low look.

They also contribute to the car's near perfect balance and behaviour.

Back to 'Car' magazine.

"In this class no other saloon offers a better blend of ride, roadholding and handling."

THE INTERIOR IS AS CLASSICALLY BMW AS THE EXTERIOR.

The dashboard is unashamedly driver-orientated. Without a single garish liquid crystal gauge in sight.

They may be fractionally more efficient in reacting to information, but BMW judge them rather less efficient in communicating it.

'Motor' obviously concur. "Bereft of styling excesses and gimmicks, the display stands as an example of design purity and clarity."

"The 520i's fascia brings new realism to the term 'carved from solid'. It looks superbly integrated and beautifully assembled from high-grade mouldings."

Of course, BMW have long been praised for their build quality. A reputation they were not about to compromise.

So, despite the trend to build less and less substantial cars, BMW have constructed a more substantial one.

400lbs heavier, the new 5 Series has a body-shell over 40% more rigid than the previous model. Stiffness that is an aid to swiftness, as 'Motor' found.

"The car's immensely strong rigid bodyshell also allows it to sail over large crests and dips with a feeling of great integrity. There's very little excess body movement: control is simply terrific."

Braking is equally sure.

There are ventilated disc brakes all round. The largest of any car in this class, they operate via a powerful new vacuum servo.

And from the 525i, every member of the new 5 Series has the added benefit of ABS.

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It begins with a tax efficient two litre. And even this is capable of propelling the car at a somewhat academic 125mph.

Next is a 2.5. It develops maximum torque at just 4,300 rpm. Making the 525i particularly adept at motorway overtaking.

Thirdly, there is a 3 litre that develops an impressive 188bhp.

And at the top of the range, a 3.5 that will take the car from 0 to 60mph in just 7.7 seconds.

All four are fuel injected. And they each incorporate a computerised engine management system that constantly 're-tunes' the engine for optimum performance.

The car will also calculate its own service intervals. And memorise any engine fault, no matter how fleeting, then report it on its next visit to a BMW service bay.

But it is the engine's performance not its practicality that will attract the keen driver.

It certainly attracted the man from 'Motor.'

"Throttle response is super-crisp and entirely consistent but most impressive is undoubtedly that superlative mechanical smoothness."

Excellent though the individual components of the 5 Series are, it was the car as a whole that impressed 'Motor' most.

"Its real achievement is in the completeness of its abilities, its depth of talent. BMW's standards appear to march forward irrespective of model range or price."

Over the last 4 years BMW invested 4 million man hours in the development of this new 5 Series. And they drove prototype cars and tested components over 2.9 million miles.

(The equivalent of driving around the world one hundred and sixteen times.)

The car that has emerged packs more advanced technology per square inch than any BMW before. Driving it, however, provides some good old-fashioned rewards.

"The 525i is sporty and civilised, fast and economical, well put together and relatively affordable, comfortable and fun to drive."

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Genetic engineering changes:1

Researchers wrestle over right to patent on man-made mouse

The European Commission is preparing legislation to allow individuals or companies to obtain a patent on a plant or animal. It is intended to protect the discoveries of genetic engineering that promise to revolutionize the pharmaceutical, agriculture, food processing and chemicals industries. The plan raises moral and ethical issues, ***Pearce Wright, Science Editor,*** *reports in the first of two articles.*

Although God, or nature, created man, a twentieth century scientist might soon own the copyright or patent to the genetic blueprint used in the process.

The possibility arises with proposals to revise the laws covering the rights to new discoveries in genetic engineering.

The question of how far proprietary rights should be allowed to extend over natural products of mankind's genes is about to assume a larger dimension.

It comes in the wake of the largest research project ever undertaken in biology and started in the United States, Europe and Japan. The goal is to produce a complete map which is a catalogue of all human genes.

The venture, which is compared with landing man on the Moon, will cost hundreds of millions of pounds.

The potential reward for producing the map of the human "genome" is enormous.

It contains the genes that control everything from cancer to ageing. About three thousand hereditary diseases are known to be caused by faulty genes.

Cancer researchers are exploring the genetic changes that lead to the disease.

The European Commission wants all member countries to adjust patent regulations by the end of 1991 to accommodate the changes.

The new rules are contained in a Draft EC directive on The Legal Protection of Biotechnological Invention. The rules would give an individual or organization "ownership to plants and animals, resulting from genetic engineering". Over the past five years the European Commission has wrestled with the economic, social and ethical issues raised by the genetic engineering of materials.

Adaptation of plants and animals has been excluded so far from patent law. Hence, recent attempts to use the regulations by drug companies and new biotechnology research firms to protect their inventions have ended in a quagmire.

Crucial battles are being fought in the European and American courts over rival claims to genetic engineering

An indication of the commercial importance is a contest between Britain's Wellcome Foundation, and Genentech, a leading US biotechnology research laboratory over prior claim to a genetic method for making TPA,or Tissue Plasminogen Activator.

Employing genetic engineering, TPA is now available on a large scale and promises a significant advance in heart treatments.

However, the pressure to resolve issues of ownership have increased with the first patent for a genetically engineered mouse. It was awarded in the US to Dr Philip Leder and Dr Timothy Stewart, of the Harvard Medical School. Although the patent, which is bound to spark controversy, covers engineered mice, it also broadly claims to cover "any species of transgenic non-human mammal," including primates such as rhesus monkeys.

The scientists have created what is in effect a mouse that is highly cancer sensitive.

It was done during the early stage after conception of a mouse. The scientists introduced an oncogene into the embryo at an early stage, so ensuring that the gene would be present in all the tissues when the animal developed.

The research was sponsored by Du Pont, the drug company which holds the right to the patent.

Another patent involving genetic engineering has been granted to Professor Myron Essex and Dr Tun-Hou Lee, also of Harvard University, for part of the Aids virus to cover a molecule known as GP120. It is a protein molecule on the surface of the Aids virus, which researchers believe is the key to developing new vaccines for Aids.

Tomorrow: Genetics of plant breeding

Coal dust is blamed for town's illnesses

By Bronwen Jones

Links between high levels of serious illness and dust from opencast coal mines have been found by doctors in Glyn-neath, West Glamorgan.

The doctors' two-year investigation, after high prescription costs had been challenged by the Welsh Office, shows extremely high levels of asthma, severe ear infections and continuous gastro-intestinal disorders.

Incidences of asthma last summer were up to 15 times above peak national figures and frequently more than seven times the expected level.

The doctors' findings were revealed at a public inquiry into a proposed 130 hectare mine extension on the edge of the town. The data will be used by environmental pressure groups to oppose plans by the Department of the Environment to relax controls this week on siting opencast mines.

The study carried out among the 7,000 people served by the Glyn-neath group practice strongly suggests that coal-dust is affecting the health of an entire town. The doctors believe there should be no opencast mining within 16 kilometres of any community.

The Glyn-neath survey has produced similar results to a study at the port of Rowhedge in Essex, where it was shown last summer that double the national asthma rate was attributable to handling of dusty soya, fertilizer and grain cargoes.

One of the four Glyn-neath doctors, Dr Mark Temple said: "A few years ago, the Welsh Office challenged our high prescription rates and an already overstretched practice had to spend time justifying its figures.

"When I came to Glyn-neath, I continued this process and when I looked at statistics on what prescriptions were for, I noticed trends in dust-related illnesses."

Dr Temple said that as he had come from another area, he could identify high levels of particular diseases that local doctors might have considered quite normal.



Dr Temple and his wife, Sarah, with their two children

The figures in Glyn-neath for ear infection, as well as for asthma, are higher than the overall figures for the same illnesses in West Glamorgan and many times higher than the national average. Women and children are the main victims and both illnesses have the same incidence pattern, with a short time lag for the ear infections to take effect.

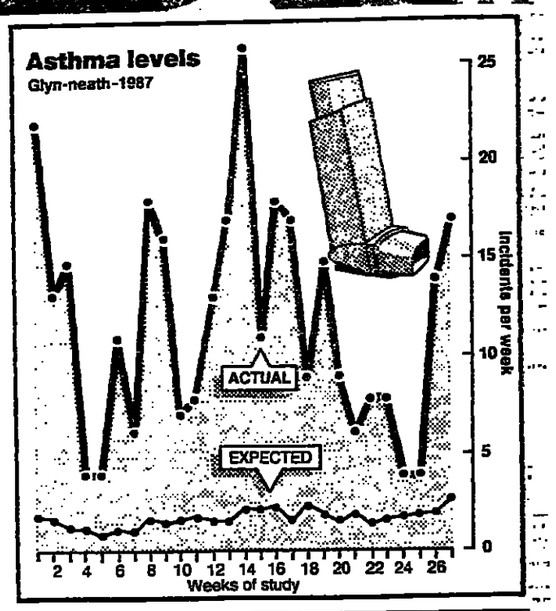
Glyn-neath also has a greater pathology than would be expected in gastro-intestinal disorders, non-traumatic joint disease, cancer and foetal abnormalities.

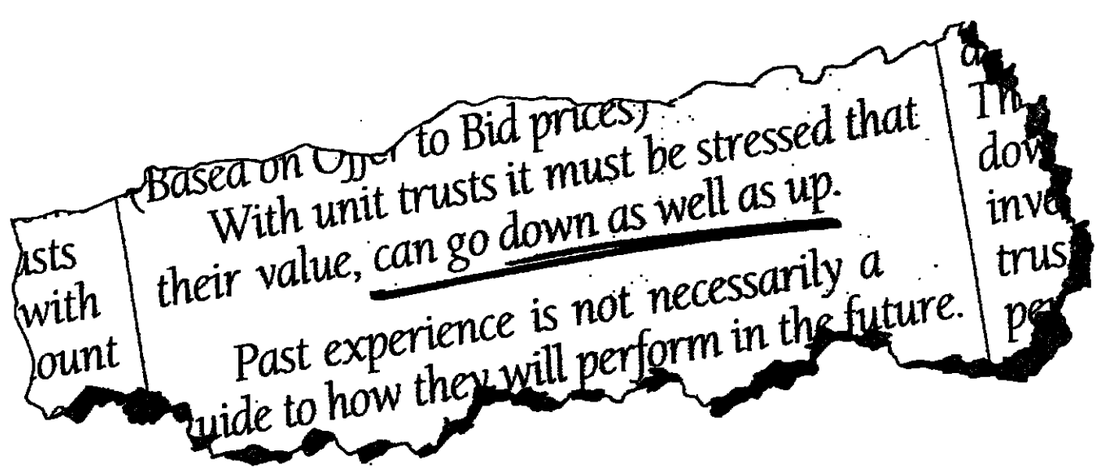
Prescribing for diarrhoea and vomiting, illnesses that affect any population, is continual rather than occasional. Rheumatoid arthritis incidence is high and peptic ulceration, the doctors believe, is related to coal dust ingestion.

Ear infections in children hinder their education, as they cannot hear tones above a certain pitch. Although operations can be carried out to ease "glue ear" and related infections, Dr Temple says they should not be necessary on the scale they are called for in Glyn-neath.

A recently retired local teacher, Mrs Nancy Thomas, said she had noted an increase in pupils' hearing-related learning problems when opencast coalmining increased.

Dr Temple's two daughters have ear infections that he attributes to the dust levels and he has considered moving away for their sake. He has stayed out of a sense of duty for his patients.





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Test may uncover dishonest workers

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Job applicants' attitudes are being compared with those of prisoners in a psychological test to see if they are likely to be dishonest.

A study by Permetric Ltd, which has devised and marketed the test, says that of an average group of 100 British job applicants, about nine or ten could be expected to reveal attitudes similar to those of prisoners convicted for theft and fraud.

About eight or nine would give indeterminate answers and five would fake good answers in an attempt to defeat the test.

Permetric has produced the test in response to concern about mounting losses facing most companies. It says that in some industries 75 per cent of the losses may be due to internal theft.

The test will also predict how an employee will act under pressure. Permetric says there is a correlation between emotional stability and dishonest attitudes and that one in three employees are likely to have have a high risk of emotional instability or combination of both.

The test was devised by Dr Paul Barrett, a research fellow of the Institute of Psychiatry, London. Researchers studied the attitudes of prisoners — convicted mainly for theft and dishonesty — towards the issues of crime and punishment, right and wrong, guilt and innocence.

Mr Bruce Gifford, Permetric's managing director, says employees who steal rationalize by saying they feel underpaid and unappreciated. They may harbour a grudge for being rebuked for something they did not do or because they had to work extra hours without pay, and, in their view, were taking what they are owed.

The questionnaire asks for "yes" or "no" answers to such statements as: "If an employee is being underpaid it is OK for him to take just enough to compensate for the difference", "fear of being caught keeps most people honest", "seeing an opportunity to steal every day will eventually weaken an employee's resolve to be honest" or "Have you ever cheated in an exam?"

Permetric says the test is designed not to replace but complement the judgement of the personnel executive.

A template is placed over the completed questionnaire and a computer determines whether the answers are close to those found in the survey of more than 1,000 prisoners. If they are too close the applicants are suspect.

About 77 per cent of job applicants disclose atttiudes satisfying most employers.

Sadler is co-leader in chess

By Raymond Keene
Chess Correspondent

Mauhew Sadler, the chess prodigy aged 14, shares the lead after the weekend rounds of the Watson Farley and Williams Challenge in the City of London.

Sadler, from Rochester, Kent, needs one draw from his last two games to clinch his international master result.

Round eight results: Sadler beat Hebden; Motwani beat Evans; Norwood beat Westerinen; King beat Hodgson; Fedorowicz drew with Susan Arkell; Keith Arkell drew with Levitt.

Round nine results: Keith Arkell beat Westerinen; Hodgson lost to Motwani; Levitt drew with Sadler; Evans beat Norwood; Susan Arkell lost to King; Hebden beat Fedorowicz.

Scores (players England unless stated): Sadler, Motwani (Scotland) and Keith Arkell, 5½ points; Fedorowicz (USA) and Hodgson, 5; King, Westerinen (Finland) and Levitt, 4½; Norwood 4; Evans (United States) and Hebden, 3½; Susan Arkell, 3.

The moves from Sadler's game, playing white, against Hebden, who resigned on move 29, were:

1 d4	Nf6	15 dxe6	Bxe6		
2 c4	g6	16 Nd5	Nc6		
3 Nc3	Bg7	17 f4	Bxd5		
4 e4	d6	18 exd5	Qa5		
5 f3	0-0	19 Qd1	Nb4		
6 Bg5	Nc6	20 f5	Nd7		
7 Nge2	a6	21 Bb1	Bd4+		
8 Qd2	Rb8	22 Kh1	Nxa2		
9 Rc1	Rg8	23 Qg4	Ne5		
10 b3	Bd7	25 Nn4	Ned3		
11 d5	Na7	26 fxg6	hxg6		
12 Ng3	c5	27 Nf6+	Bxf6		
13 Bd3	b5	28 Bxf6	Nf2+		
14 0-0	a6	29 Kg1			

Motorway repairs

UK traffic jams set record

By Daniel Ward, Motor Industry Correspondent

The UK suffers from the most crowded motorways of any European country, the British Road Federation says.

Britain's 6,709 vehicles per km of motorway represents an improvement on the situation in 1975, yet is almost 30 per cent greater than France, the Continental country with the highest proportion of vehicles for motorway mileage.

Motorway traffic in 1986 grew by 12.2 per cent, according to the federation's latest statistics, yet after the opening of the M25 orbital in 1986 only one mile of motorway was completed last year.

The federation complains: "Since the Government came to office in 1979, receipts from road user taxation have rocketed by more than 60 per cent in real terms yet expenditure on our road system has grown by only 4 per cent.

Roadworks until next Monday:

London and South-east

M1 London: contraflow between jns 4-5 (Edgware/Harrow); entry and exit slips, jn 4, closed until end of month.

M1 Buckinghamshire: contraflow north of jn 14 (Newport Pagnell); slips at jn 14 closed except southbound exit.

M25 Surrey: no hard shoulder during daytime between jns 11-13 (Chertsey/Staines), and overnight lane closures.

M25 Hertfordshire: lane closures in both directions between jns 24-25 (Potters Bar/A10).

M11 Essex: contraflow between jns 6-7 (M25/Harlow); lane closures between jn 8 (Bishop's Stortford) and jn 10 (Duxford).

M2 Kent: outside lane closed in both directions near jn 5 (Sittingbourne) during peak times; off-peak down to one lane London-bound, and hard shoulder only coast-bound.

M20 Kent: lane restrictions between jns 11-12 (Hythe/Cheriton).

Midlands

M5 Hereford/Worcester: contraflow between jns 5-6 (Droitwich/Worcester north).

M6 W Midlands: southbound entry slip road from Salford Circus closed; lane closures between jn 6-7 (Spaghetti Jn area).

M54 Shropshire: lane closures between jns 5-6 (Telford/A518).

North

M6 Cheshire: contraflow between jns 16-17 (Kidsgrove/Sandbach); contraflow between jns 21a-23 (M62/A580);

M62 Greater Manchester: installation of new signalling system; intermittent lane closures between jns 12-2 (M63/Brighouse).

M62 Lancashire: lane restrictions between jns 21-22 (A640/A672); mandatory 50 mph limit.

M63 Greater Manchester: contraflow for widening of Barton Bridge between jns 1-7 (M62/A56).

M65 Lancashire: construction of two roundabouts at jn 13 (A682).

Wales and West

M4 Avon: two lanes closed westbound between jns 18-19 (A49/Bristol).

M4 Gwent: lane closures between jns 25-26 (Caerleon/A4042) at the Brynglas tunnels.

M4 Mid-Glamorgan: lane restrictions between jns 34-35 (Rhondda/Pen-coed).

M5 Gloucestershire: lane closures in both directions between jns 9-11 (Tewkesbury-Cheltenham/Gloucester)

Scotland

M8 Lothian: eastbound traffic down to hard shoulder only at jn 3 (A899); access from A899 closed.

M73 Strathclyde: westbound inside lane closed on slip to M74.

M74 Strathclyde: lane closures between jn 4-5 (Maryville/Bothwell interchanges).

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Todd tries to force union's hand over Labour vote

By Roland Rudd

Mr Ron Todd will attempt this week to persuade the executive of the Transport and General Workers' Union formally to nominate Mr Roy Hattersley for the deputy leadership of the Labour Party.

That would make it virtually impossible for his delegation to switch sides on the eve of the party conference.

Mr Todd, the union's general secretary, is anxious to secure Mr Hattersley's nomination, rather than just a simple vote in favour of the present Labour deputy leader, to prevent the union's delegation casting its 1.25 million block vote in favour of Mr John Prescott at the last minute.

Under union rules the delegation to the Labour Party, which will vote on the leadership election the Sunday before the conference starts in October, cannot disregard an executive nomination, although it could overturn a simple vote.

Without the support of Britain's biggest trade union Mr Prescott's chances of winning the deputy leadership are minimal.

Mr Todd is confident that his executive will accept his call to back the current leadership after Mr Neil Kinnock made it clear that a vote for Mr Prescott is a vote against his own leadership.

A vote for Mr Prescott would be a damaging blow for Mr Todd, who has put his authority on the line.

The hard-left have made it clear, however, that if Mr Todd gets his way he must be prepared to compromise on some policy review proposals which have been passed by Labour's national executive.

Labour Party sources yesterday dismissed as "absolute rubbish any suggestions that Mr Kinnock would be willing to consider any aspects of the policy review in exchange for backing Mr Hattersley".

While Mr Kinnock is not willing to countenance such a deal, executive members close to the Labour leader admit concessions will have to be made if they get their way over Mr Hattersley's nomination.

A leading TGWU source said yesterday: "We are going to have problems over the policy review, and in particular over the economic strategy which watters down our commitment to nationalization".

Brothers in the picture at last



Ivy Smith, the Norfolk artist, has begun work on a portrait of the Attenborough brothers for the National Portrait Gallery, part of her prize for winning the John Player Portrait Award in 1986. The brothers have been away so much – Sir David (centre) on wildlife treks, Sir Richard filming *Cry Freedom* – that it is only now that they have found time to sit together. The portrait in oils should be on view in the gallery's contemporary portrait collection by the new year. Tomorrow Mr Peter Blake, the artist, will announce the winner of the 1988 award. More than 700 entries have been received of which 59 will be on show until September 4.

(Photograph: Bryn Colton)

WHITEHALL BRIEF
by David Walker

Rivers man is off to higher ground

Mr David Renshaw is homehunting. The former director of the Merseyside Task Force is not, however, facing Whitehall's favourite torture for Civil Servants from the regions, finding an affordable house in the London area.

Instead, he is on the lookout for an office to house the National Rivers Authority, the shadow body of which he has just become chief administrator.

Mr Renshaw, currently squatting in an office at the Department of the Environment, needs to illustrate, if only symbolically, the independence of the quango he has to create.

In keeping with the spirit of the times, and the parsimony of Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, the authority's presence in London is going to be lean.

However, it needs a high enough profile to convince doubters that it will be a regulator with teeth sharp enough to bite, when necessary, on the private water companies.

The authority exists neither on paper nor in law. However, it does have a chairman, a superannuated government minister, Lord Crickhowell, who as Mr Nicholas Edwards was Secretary of State for Wales.

The shadow authority also has Mr Renshaw, aged 50, a career official who joined the Ministry of Labour as an executive officer and worked up through the Department of Transport.

However, Mr Renshaw's qualifications come from more recent experience. He worked in water quality and water pollution for four years in the late 1970s and early 1980s, time enough (he says) to make contacts and to see the lie of the land.

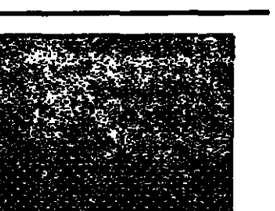
More pertinent is his experience of public administration in a charged political context, as head of the Merseyside Task Force, a creation of Mr Michael Heseltine after the Toxteth riots in 1981.

The task force was intended as a spearhead for private and public sector cooperation in rebuilding Liverpool and its hinterland. As a sign of the importance attached to its work, the task force was given a director at under-secretary rank, the same grade as the powerful Department of Environment regional officers.

Mr Renshaw was the eyes and ears of the Cabinet when Liverpool threatened to plunge into financial chaos under the sway of Mr Derek Hatton.

During the years of brinkmanship, in particular in 1985, Mr Renshaw was in continuous touch with both Whitehall and the Chief Constable of Merseyside.

During the next couple of months, the water authorities



Mr Renshaw, Whitehall's shadow rivers supremo

are to send to Mr Ridley their proposals for privatization and for handing over to the rivers authority the staff working on river basin management. Mr Renshaw, who is chief executive of the rivers authority's advisory committee, will advise the Secretary of State on the proposals.

Mr Renshaw says in setting up the authority, he will be drawing on institutional wisdom from, for example, the formation of the urban development corporations.

What matters as much as the extent of the authority's powers (to be set out in detail in the water privatization legislation) is presenting the water companies with a clear regulatory regime.

For the moment, Mr Renshaw is establishing contacts, talking to the water authorities about dividing up staff and assets. Eventually, the authority will need headquarters. However, he asks, why should they be in London?

Bill 'will confuse tenants'

By Christopher Warman
Property Correspondent

The Government's Housing Bill does not go far enough in encouraging private investment in former public housing and in the creation of a new rental market, a former special housing adviser to the Government says.

Dr David Coleman, fellow of Linacre College, Oxford, who was at the Department of the Environment, says the Bill, due to return to the House of Commons on Thursday, gives too great a role to housing associations.

He says the associations have repeatedly given "a dusty answer to the Government's hopes that they will be its vangard in liberating the council estates".

He gives his views in an article in the latest issue of *Economic Affairs* magazine.

Commenting on the Bill which aims to increase the private rented sector and give tenants a wider choice of landlord, Dr Coleman argues that the Government's approach to the Bill was like trying to run a railway system on three separate gauges.

"Different kinds of tenants will get different kinds of help: council rents, housing association rents and private rents will not be determined on the same basis".

It would complicate transfers from council tenancy, one of the new rights for tenants.

"Tenants will only choose to transfer if they think that, on the whole, they will be better off in doing so.

"On present arrangements this will tend to shut out private investors, however substantial or respectable, in favour of housing associations unless appropriate new channels for subsidies can be provided."

● The Small Landlords Association said yesterday that it was concerned at the "draconian penalties for harrassment" proposed in the Bill. Under the proposals damages will comprise the difference between the tenanted value and the vacant possession value of the property.

£1m finger rings on market

SALEROOM
by Sarah Jane Checkland
Art Market Correspondent

The Harari collection, the last great collection of finger rings to come to the art market can be seen at Phillips in Bond Street from Thursday, when the prices will range from £1,000 to £200,000.

The collection, once owned by Ralph Harari (1893-1969), soldier, administrator, merchant banker and collector, is of about 90 rings, with an estimated value "in excess of £1 million".

At the top end of a collection including Greek, Roman, medieval and Renaissance rings, comes a chunky sixteenth century gold ring set with a sapphire. It is engraved with the Papal tiara and crossed keys and Farnese arms, showing that it once belonged to Pope Paul III, who was a patron of Michelangelo and Titian.

As the expert Diana Scarisbrick writes in the catalogue, it is particularly rare because most of its fellows were buried with their owners. She also compares its quality and design to the ring on the hand of Pope Julius II, in the National Gallery's portrait of him, by Raphael.

The Harari collection first made its appearance on the market in 1976 when Phillips offered 216 rings, including the Farnese ring, at $27,750.

The jewellers acquired the collection from the Harari family in 1975 but, as Mr Nicholas Norton of S J Phillips, explains: "We stopped selling when we felt we had sold enough".

For the exhibition, he has managed to buy about a dozen back. In the middle price range, at £25,000, comes a fourth century gold relief ring decorated with the head of Apollo as the Sun. Another has an intaglio portrait of James II, his head crowned with laurels and shown in profile.

Cheapest of all, at £1,100, is a humble Roman ring with a cornelian intaglio

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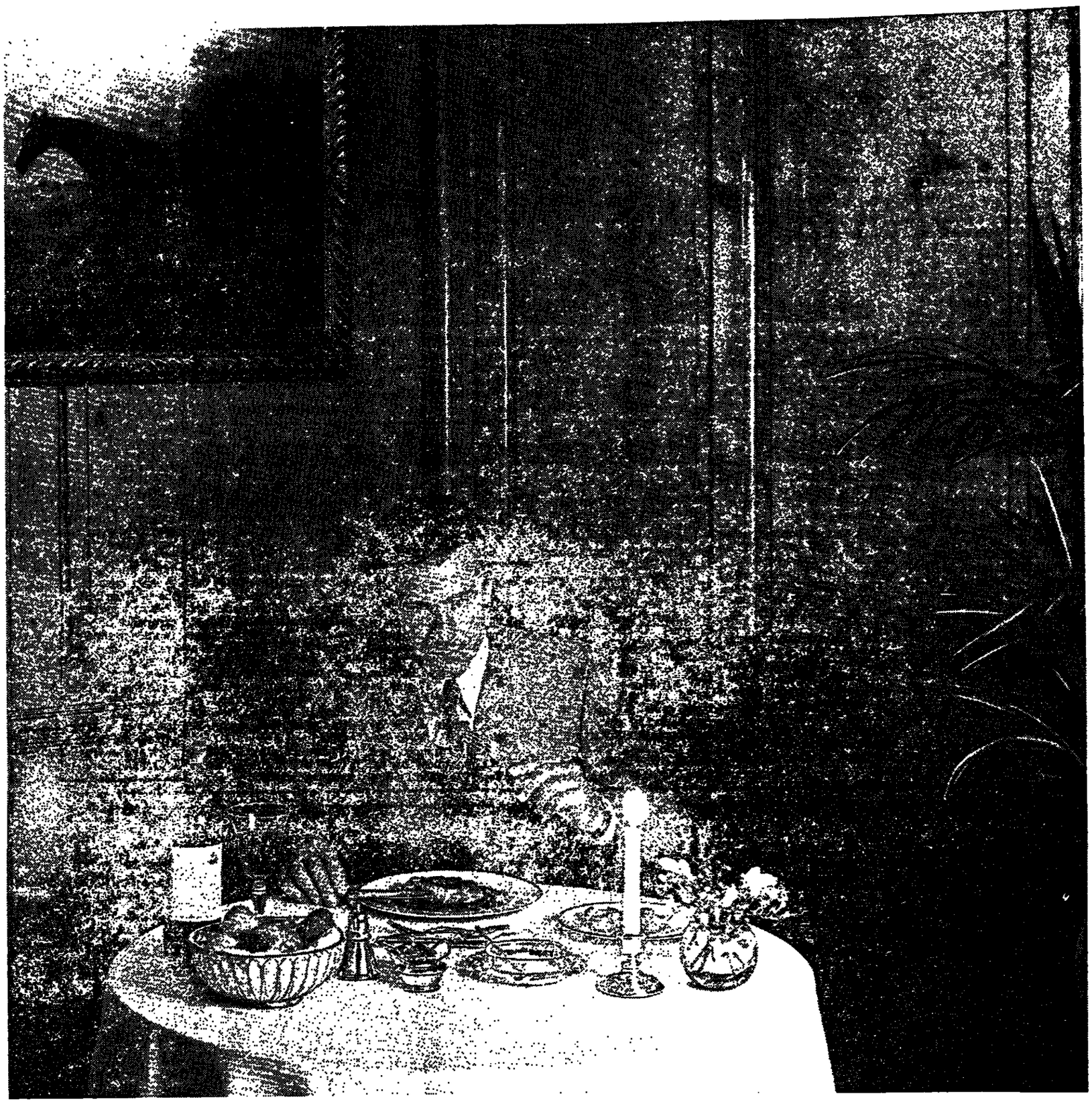
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Foreign faithful mark religious milestone in Russian history

Controversy mars start of millennium festivities

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

Elaborate celebrations approved by the Kremlin to mark the Russian Christian millennium got off to a controversial start yesterday. Leading foreign churchmen were permitted to attend the colourful opening service in Moscow while local believers were kept far away from the event behind special crowd control barriers.

Western journalists, already angered by the rigid bureaucracy which has surrounded the organization of the jubilee, looked on as one old woman called Maria wept as she pleaded with an official on the pavement.

"I come to this church every day," she told him. "Please let me stand just a little nearer."

Among those already inside the blue and gold Epiphany Cathedral were the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, the Vatican representative, Cardinal Jan Willebrands, and hundreds of other foreign churchmen who joined the elderly Russian Orthodox Primate in a service of Thanksgiving for 1,000 years of Russian faith.

Catholic Bishop Wilhelms Nukss, from the Baltic republic of Latvia, which two years ago celebrated 800 years of Christianity, was one of those dignitaries who said that he felt more ordinary people should have been attending. "I would have let everybody in," he said. "They could have spilled out on to the pavement, and no harm would have been done."

As it was, hundreds of yards from the cathedral, Soviet police were already barring traffic. Closer in, pedestrians were being kept behind the barriers. The area around the church was nearly empty.

Inside, splendidly robed priests of many denominations and countries mopped their brows in the heat as a choir on the balcony intoned the mysterious chants of the Orthodox service.

For some of the official guests, the long and arcane Orthodox rite proved too much on a swelteringly hot day in which temperatures hit the 80s. "I do not understand the language and I could not see anything," explained a Jamaican pastor, the Rev Terence Rose, after escaping for a walk outdoors. "I am used to seeing the congregation participating more."

A more positive assessment was given by Dr Runcie, who seemed pleased with the arrangements. He told reporters before entering the cathedral that he thought the celebrations would help to develop religious freedom in the Soviet Union, which is officially atheist.



Faces of the faithful in Moscow's Cathedral of the Epiphany yesterday at a service starting an 11-day festival to mark the Russian Church's millennium.

Yesterday's festive Mass was the first of many services due to be held in Moscow, and later in the provincial cities of Kiev, Vladimir and Leningrad, to mark the passage of 1,000 years since the pagan state of Rus was converted to Christianity by Prince Vladimir in the year 988. Among those worshipping yesterday were Jamaican Methodists, Japanese Catholics, US Presbyterians and even a chaplain from the Polish Army. Also present was the Brazilian theologian, Leonardo Boff, who was ordered by the Vatican to stop preaching radical solutions to poverty. A rigid system of eight different categories of passes has been devised to cover restricted entrance to the various celebrations and already there have been ugly scenes outside the accreditation centre in Moscow's towering Ukraine Hotel where many of the delegations are housed. Soviet dissidents have expressed widespread cynicism about the celebrations, which they believe are being manipulated by the Kremlin to improve its tarnished human rights image abroad, while not providing any concrete guarantees of improved toleration of religious practices. The dissidents maintain that the decision by the state to return 35 buildings to the Orthodox Church since Mr Gorbachov took power in 1985 is only a minuscule gesture. They note that only 7,000 churches are now working, compared with 70,000 in the Russian Empire before the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

However, on the eve of the celebrations – which will culminate next Sunday in the Trinity Cathedral of Moscow's Danilov monastery – there were two separate gestures regarded by diplomats as genuine signs of a Kremlin softening in its attitude towards Christianity.

It was announced by Metropolitan Filaret of Kiev and Galich that the Russian Orthodox Church would open discussions next month with the Vatican about the future of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, which since its forced merger under Stalin's orders in 1946 has operated underground and has some four million adherents anxious for official recognition.

The talks, due to take place in Finland, are believed to have the tacit support of the Kremlin.

The Metropolitan also disclosed that on June 7 the state would partially hand back to the Church the 11th Century Kiev Pechersky monastery, which has been a museum since 1961, when it was closed by the Soviet authorities. It contains the holy spot where Prince Vladimir ordered mass baptisms in 988.

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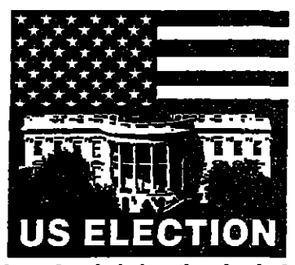
Splits in Jackson camp as crusade reaches crossroads

From Charles Bremner
Los Angeles

"Vote to keep hope alive," the Rev Jesse Jackson bellowed as he roused enthusiastic California crowds this weekend, from the farms of the rugged north to the ghettoes of Los Angeles.

But with Mr Michael Dukakis virtually certain of victory in the final Democratic primaries tomorrow and already campaigning against Mr George Bush, the old Jackson rhetoric is wearing thin. Nervous party insiders are asking again: "What does Jesse want?"

A week ago it looked as though Mr Jackson, the phenomenon of the 1988 campaign, was preparing to make peace with Mr Dukakis and set the stage for compromise at next month's party convention. Then, amid an outbreak of squabbling in Mr Jackson's own camp, he sowed dismay in the party at large by declaring that he had earned the right to be considered for the crucial vice-presidential position.



No sooner had he said it than his own campaign manager, Mr Gerald Austin, said he believed the strongest vice-presidential ticket the Democrats could muster would pair Mr Dukakis with Senator John Glenn of Ohio. Mr Austin, a New York Jew, speaks for the white pragmatists in the Jackson camp.

Underlying the confusion is Mr Jackson's own uncertainty over his next step. With the primaries over, "Jesse must decide what Jesse wants". Should he pursue his role as the ultimate maverick – the formula that brought him so far as champion of the deprived and dispossessed – or should he maximize his new status by becoming a powerful party insider? Radicals in Mr Jackson's camp are pushing for the first option: they say that the only way that he can maintain and build his progressive coalition is to stay on the outside. That course would lead to confrontation with Mr Dukakis in Atlanta.

Conventional thinking has it that this could spell disaster for the Democrats, because Mr Dukakis would either settle by adopting too much of the progressive Jackson platform or alienating the big black vote. The key to the White House lies in the hands of the uncertain middle-ground voters who swarmed to Mr Reagan in 1984 but are now said to be eager for cautious change.

"Jackson can hurt a lot more than he can help in 1988," according to Mr Nelson Polsby, a senior Berkeley political expert. But several pundits, including Mr Mervin Field, a veteran Californian pollster, says Mr Dukakis could emerge stronger from a confrontation if he stands up to Mr Jackson on spending, defence and foreign policy, and reinforces his appeal as a mainstream candidate.

The votes he would win from former Reagan voters would outweigh the loss from blacks who decided to stay at home. But Mr Jackson is also aware that his chances in 1992 and 1996 will suffer if he is seen to be a contributor to Democratic defeat in 1988. He has been ruminating about the prospect of picking up 50 million white votes in 1992.

In the meantime, Mr Jackson says he plans to campaign flat out all the way to the convention on July 20 as a way of developing the most enthusiastic force possible to support his political goals there. After a Hollywood television spectacular tonight, he plans to keep speaking around the country – and possibly abroad – and he will keep his chartered jet.

"I'm often asked ... 'What do you want in Atlanta?', " Mr Jackson said, campaigning in Montana this weekend. The answer was a recitation of the old Jackson manifesto for the poor and oppressed. "I want the right to earn enough for adequate food, clothing and recreation for every American ... I want the right of every family to a decent home ... I want the right to a good education for every American."

But Mr Jackson is also professing commitment to Democratic victory in November. "I am certain that blacks, Hispanics, Indians, workers, farmers, youth, the physically disabled will be working together in November. Together, we're going to win."

Jackson staff say he will fix his Atlanta goals with his kitchen cabinet after the votes are counted from tomorrow's primaries in California, New Jersey, Montana and New Mexico.

● Cherry Hill, New Jersey: In the final weekend of the 1988 presidential primary campaign, Mr Dukakis edged closer to the magic 2,081 delegates needed to clinch the Democratic nomination (AP reports). A count gave him 1,811 to Mr Jackson's 985.

'Two cars' at Rock shootings

By Our Foreign Staff

Mrs Carmen Proetta, who has alleged that two IRA terrorists appeared to be surrendering when they were shot in Gibraltar on March 6, this weekend gave a detailed statement to Mr Manolo Correa, the coroner's investigating officer.

In nine written pages, which were read back to her in the presence of a lawyer, she has reaffirmed her account of the deaths of Daniel McCann and Mairead Farrell, and answered questions which could throw new light on the investigation.

Her evidence is that the IRA couple were putting up their hands in surrender. She has also claimed that a second police car delivered the SAS men to the scene, and has identified two different models of police car. Her description will mean that Mr Correa, also a chief inspector in the Gibraltar police force, will probably have to conduct fresh inquiries among his officers.

To date the accepted version has been that there was only one police car, travelling north from the town area, in which there were several officers who were unaware of the *IRA* operation. It was this car which another witness, Mr Steven Bulloch, in a local radio interview broadcast on March 7, the day after the shooting, said he saw stopped at red traffic lights.

Mrs Proetta gave identifiable descriptions of people at the scene, and Mr Correa, who spent several hours interviewing her, thanked her for her help. Yesterday she confirmed this description of her account to *The Times*.

Informed sources have confirmed that Gibraltar police were under instructions to make arrests and that that was the intention of the operation. At the time it was stated that British forces had acted in support of the local operation headed by Mr Joe Canepa, Gibraltar's police commissioner.

WORLD ROUNDUP

Mugabe criticises white 'arrogance'

Harare (Reuter) – President Robert Mugabe has accused Zimbabwe's prosperous white minority of displaying "British arrogance" towards blacks and failing to adjust to a changed society. Mr Mugabe told black journalists in New York that British background of some whites might be at the root of the problem. "For all the respect I have for the British, they remain British wherever they are. Wherever the British are, it is just that they are superior to everybody in the world, and perhaps our own whites have a bit of this British arrogance."

Eight years since Zimbabwe's independence was a long time for people to adjust. "We do not know what we can do. At the beginning we gave them a choice. Those who wanted to live with us are free to do so ... we are not going to go back to the past and start harassing them because of past sins ..."

Three Britons drown

Three Britons died and one swam 2½ miles to safety after their 35 ft motor cruiser, Marveda, ran aground off France (Andrew Morgan writes). The four left Folkestone last Friday bound for Greece. The craft started sinking on being holed after hitting a sandbank on Saturday near St Valéry-sur-Somme, Picardy. It is believed the men swam away from the boat in the dark but three were defeated by strong winds and currents. Their bodies were recovered early yesterday. They were named as Ramsey Shamar, aged 25 and the boat's owner, from London, Jonathan Gill, aged 19, from London and David Jones, aged 23, from Manchester. The survivor, Michael O'Donnell, 21, was last night recovering from exhaustion in hospital at Abbeville in "good condition".

Warning to strikers

Johannesburg – Police issued warnings at the weekend that they will enforce state of emergency regulations during three days of protests organized by black trade unions planned to start today, and that they will protect people wanting to go to work (Ray Kennedy writes). At the same time employers were preparing court action against union federations.

● **Cuban threat:** Cuban forces are threatening power and water supplies in Namibia after being spotted only six miles from the border close to the Ruacana hydro-electric scheme, the South African Defence Force claimed at the weekend.

Fiji coup conspiracy

Sydney – Hundreds of Fijian Indians and their supporters have been involved in a plot to overthrow the military strongman of Fiji, Brigadier Sitiveni Rabuka (Christopher Morris writes). This claim was made yesterday in Sydney by police chiefs investigating last week's discovery of a huge cache of arms being shipped secretly to Fiji. Superintendent Alan Sing, disclosing the conspiracy, said: "There are more people here in Australia involved than we had any idea." Two Fijian Indians were arrested in Sydney at the weekend.

Barre claims victory

President Barre of Somalia said yesterday that his troops had restored order in the north of the country in the wake of rebel attacks (Andrew McEwen writes).

But the challenge by the Somali National Movement, whose leader lives in London, is still seen as one of the most serious crises since he came to power 19 years ago. Diplomats believe that as many as 1,000 people may have died in the fight for Hargeisa, the biggest town in the north.

Sri Lanka withdrawal

Colombo (Reuter) – About 2,500 Indian soldiers will begin leaving Sri Lanka this week at the start of India's phased withdrawal of some of its troops on the island, Sri Lankan officials said yesterday. India says it has 52,000 troops on the island, but Sri Lanka says up to 70,000 troops came over as part of last July's pact to end a rebellion by minority Tamils.

Slovenes dream of becoming a second Austria

From Richard Bassett, Ljubljana

At first glance the Slovenes are the people least likely to rock the multi-racial Yugoslav boat. There are barely two million of them. Unlike the Albanians of Kosovo or the Croats, they harbour no long-term grudges against the Serbs in Belgrade. Despite their small numbers, they enjoy full republican status and considerable autonomy.

Moreover, they are traditionally the least political of the Balkan nations. Descended from peasant stock, their economic diligence always overshadowed their political aims. Until the early years of this century, they did not even articulate any homespun nationalist ideals.

Eighty years later, however, they are proving increasingly to be a thorn in the side of Belgrade's attempts to hold together the country's fragile unity in the face of a deteriorating economic situation. "The Slovenes are getting too big for their boots" is now frequently heard in Belgrade.

In Slovenia, mild contempt for the Balkan machinations of a distant Government in Serbia is hardening. With economic links well established with neighbouring Austria and Italy, Slovenia is by far the most prosperous part of Yugoslavia.

While Ljubljana may appear somewhat down-at-heel and shabby, less than five miles from the city centre a score of private restaurants, the envy of visiting West German businessmen, cater for a yuppy class of silk-suited, credit card-wielding Slovenes who drive around country lanes in black BMWs.



Buying their clothes in Italy – 40 minutes' drive away – and skiing in Austria throughout the winter, they consider everything south of Zagreb, a mere 100 miles away, as "Balkan Europe".

"We are Western Europe or at least Central Europe here. We are like the Austrians. We know how to work," Mr Zoran Meskon, a businessman in his thirties observed.

Older Slovenes who recall Ljubljana before the Second World War are equally disparaging about their southern neighbours. "You should have seen Ljubljana before the war. There were no drunken Bosnians and Serbs relieving themselves on street corners then," Dr Ivan Snickar said, adding: "If we could go it alone, we would be a second Austria or Liechtenstein".

To the obvious anxiety of Belgrade, this long-standing, almost traditional feeling of economic superiority has been fortified by a growing sense of political awareness among younger Slovenes.

The Government in Slovenia is considered one of the most liberal in the country. Official youth magazines criticize Belgrade and military service. *Mladina*, the Ljubljana youth weekly, even served warning recently that Belgrade was threatening to intervene militarily in Slovenia's affairs if it did not show more respect for Belgrade's attempts to deal with the present economic crisis.

To the undisguised dismay of traditional Communists in Slovenia, young Slovenes have raised the issue of secession from Yugoslavia at meetings in Ljubljana.

At one of these recently, young Slovenes called on their Government to warn Belgrade that Slovenia was prepared to abandon Yugoslavia unless the Serbs became more tolerant of Slovene political reforms. Almost at the same time, the veteran Yugoslav dissident, Mr Milovan Djilas, ventured deep into Slovenia to address intellectuals in Maribor, the republic's second city.

The arrest last Tuesday of Mr Janez Jansa, a young Slovene candidate for the official Slovene Youth Alliance and one of the republic's most articulate leaders, has revealed that a crackdown may well be imminent.

Hardliners in and outside Belgrade must be hoping that by focusing on young intellectuals in Slovenia they will not alienate the majority of Slovenes who, however contemptuous of Belgrade, will not wish their own economic well-being to be undermined by instability in the republic.

But Slovenia in the late 1980s is a different place from the small, insignificant part of prewar Yugoslavia. Mr Mikhail Gorbachov thought sufficiently highly of the Slovene economy to visit Ljubljana earlier this year.

But the political awakening of the Slovenes is the last thing Belgrade and a fragile Yugoslav state needs.

Belgrade (Reuter) – The Serbian media have attacked the Republic of Slovenia for hosting a lecture by the Yugoslav dissident, Mr Milovan Djilas, left, as "orchestrated anti-communism with Djilas in the starring role". It was no accident, they said, that the speech – his first since being purged 35 years ago by Tito – took place in Slovenia, where the media were well known for anti-communist actions.

Verbal war over campaign

Diplomacy wins on D-Day memorial

By Our Foreign Staff

British spirit triumphed yesterday in one of the last great battles of World War Two.

For the past five months British and American veterans of the Normandy landings, and other interested parties, have been waging war over the interpretation of the 1944 campaign to be portrayed in the new official museum in Caen.

In Britain, there was concern that the Americans, with strong financial backing, were trying to rewrite history and eclipse the British role in the invasion, which heralded the death-knell of the Third Reich.

And there was concern that French historians were underplaying the importance of Viscount Montgomery of Alamein, the Allied Commander-in-Chief during the first few weeks of the invasion.

But when the Museum for Peace is opened by President Mitterrand today, the 44th anniversary of D-Day, visitors will be left in no doubt about the success of a hard-fought British campaign.

The museum is full of British exhibits, including a huge portrait of "Monty" and his Rolls-Royce, which was landed on Day Nine of the invasion. But the crowning glory for the British team is the prominent display of a full-scale replica of an RAF Typhoon, which has pride of place at the museum entrance.

The Typhoon played an important part in the success of the invasion, providing air support for the troops. American involved in the planning, preparation and training for the invasion and that he was commander-in-chief of the invasion operation until General Eisenhower took over in the July of 1944."

The British success can be put down to hard work, perseverance and gentle diplomacy with the French.

Lieutenant General Sir Ian Harris, chairman of the British support committee, who commanded the Second Battalion the Royal Ulster Rifles – the first infantry battalion to enter Caen in July 1944 – said: "The French were delighted Britain decided to help in the museum project."

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can pleas that it should be replaced with a Mustang were rejected by French officials.

Even a US-built Sherman tank, widely used by British troops in Normandy, is in the colours of the British 11 Armoured Division.

Brigadier David Webb Carter, the British project officer, said: "As far as British representation is concerned, we have got as much as we could have hoped for. We are particularly pleased the role of Monty is being properly recognized, given that he was

His French-born wife Anne-Marie, who he met just weeks after the invasion, worked closely with the French authorities. "We have formed a very good relationship with the French and I feel the British are well represented in the museum," he said.

However the Americans, who had hoped for much greater representation in the museum, are reported to be "seething" at being outmanoeuvred by the British campaign.

When President Mitterrand opens the Museum for Peace, he will be joined by M Michel Rocard, the Prime Minister, and senior representatives from the 12 other countries involved in the Normandy campaign.

They will include Mr George Younger, the Defence Secretary, officials from both West and East Germany, the Eastern Bloc and a group of Japanese children from Hiroshima.

The bands, pipes and drums of the Royal Irish Rangers and the Queen's Own Highlanders will take part in the celebrations, and a Lancaster, a Spitfire and a Hurricane of the Battle of Britain Flight will circle Caen.

The Type 21 frigate, HMS Active, will berth in Caen after sailing down the Orne canal past Pegasus Bridge – the first part of occupied France to be liberated in the early hours of June 6, 44 years ago.

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Confident Ligachov bounces back with an attack on Yeltsin

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

Soviet political in-fighting in the run-up to the crucial Communist Party conference later this month has intensified with a hard-hitting speech from Mr Yegor Ligachov, the Kremlin No 2, who is widely seen as leader of the conservative faction in the Politburo.

The speech is regarded as having been aimed directly at Mr Boris Yeltsin, the dismissed reformer who last week called for Mr Ligachov's removal from office. It also reasserted the party's control over the democratization process while emphasizing that the Kremlin hierarchy was united behind the reforms.

It gained piquancy because soon after it was delivered to workers at the industrial town of Togliatti, Moscow radio announced that Mr Yeltsin – who was dismissed last year as chief of the Moscow City Communist Party – would be one of the 5,000 conference delegates, as part of the delegation representing the Autonomous Republic of Karelia.

The uncompromising tone of Mr Ligachov's remarks, including his flat rejection of reforms called for recently by a number of leading intellectuals, indicated that he still wields considerable strength in the party and has not lost his influence as some Soviet sources have been suggesting.

"The guarantee of the irreversibility of *perestroika* is the Communist Party," he said firmly. "Foreign voices want the Soviet Union to have a political opposition and are dishing up the idea of a multi-party system. But if we consider the 'advice' that our country's economy be placed on the footing of Western market economies, little remains of socialism.

"All that (the advice) is aimed at weakening the political stability in the country, upsetting social justice and stimulating a far-reaching social stratification of society." The remarks drove home the point that Mr Ligachov has a more blinkered view of the future than do the main party reformers, the most radical of whom have called for profound economic changes, such as price rises, and political reforms giving much greater scope to public activity outside the party.

The speech caused dismay among Moscow intellectuals, who had allowed themselves to be lulled by wishful thinking into reading from recent events – notably the now notorious BBC interview given by Mr Yeltsin – that Mr Ligachov's star was in decline.

Mr Ligachov, whose attack on any idea of an opposition was linked by observers with recent KGB harassment of those supporting the fringe group, Democratic Union, which was set up recently to challenge the Communist Party's monopoly of power, made what was seen as an obvious reference to the Yeltsin attack.



Mr Ligachov: Comeback dismays the reformers.

"Adversaries in the West, and some people in our own country too, are making allegations about differences among the Soviet leadership in the Politburo", he declared. "What can be said about that? In the first place, these allegations have been made more than once, which means they are being made deliberately. Trying to drive a wedge among the leadership is a notorious trick."

Mr Ligachov, who last week secured the public backing of Mr Mikhail Gorbachov in his long-running feud with Mr Yeltsin, combined his claims of unity with an outline of progress linked closely with his own cautious approach.

His speech followed a key meeting of the Moscow City Communist Party on Friday at which a number of well-known reformers were elected to the party's delegation to the conference, while other advocates of increased *perestroika* were rejected. Among those rejected, even after being reinstated on the candidate list at the start of the meeting, were Mrs Tatyana Zaslavskaya, the sociologist, Mr Gavriil Popov and Mr Nikolai Shmelyov, two radical economists, and the playwright, Mikhail Shatrov.

The result of the voting was seen by analysts here as indicating the overall result of the conference might well be some form of compromise, rather than an outright victory for either the reformers or the conservatives.

Shamir escapes the Shultz hard sell

From David Bernstein, Jerusalem

Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State who is in Israel for talks on his plan for Middle East peace based on an Israeli willingness to exchange territory for peace, had two meetings yesterday with Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli Prime Minister.

But Mr Shamir was due to leave last night for New York to attend tomorrow's United Nations conference on disarmament, allowing Mr Shultz little time to break down his entrenched resistance to several elements of the American plan, including the "territory for peace" principle and the convening of an international peace conference in the area.

The *Jerusalem Post* yesterday saw Mr Shamir's decision to go to the UN as a deliberate snub to Mr Shultz. "One cannot imagine a worse snubbing by Israel's Prime Minister of the friendliest and most understanding American Secretary of State in recent memory," it said in a leading article.

Mr Shultz plans to have meetings with the Foreign Minister, Mr Shimon Peres, and the Defence Minister, Mr Yitzhak Rabin.

As well as discussing his peace initiative, Mr Shultz briefed the Israelis on last week's Moscow summit meeting, and discussed human rights in the occupied territories and the decision to deport Dr Mubarak Awad, director of the Jerusalem-based Palestinian Centre for the Study of Non-Violence.

The High Court here yesterday rejected the appeal against deportation by Mr Awad, a native of Arab East Jerusalem but now a US citizen after having left Jerusalem some 13 years ago.

The court ruled that he had forfeited his permanent resident status when he went to live in the United States, and as he had turned down the option to adopt Israeli citizenship when Jerusalem was annexed after its capture in 1967 he had no other legal status in the city. Accordingly, the Interior Minister was within his rights both in ordering Mr Awad's expulsion once his tourist visa had expired and in refusing to renew that visa on the grounds that he constituted a threat to public order.



Mr Awad holding an olive branch given to him by a supporter after the court decision.

Legal experts have pointed to the far-reaching implications of the court's ruling for all Palestinian residents of East Jerusalem, the vast majority of whom have refused to become Israeli citizens.

But Mr Awad was philosophical about the outcome. "As a Palestinian in an army court, a Christian under Jewish justice, a resident of occupied Jerusalem in an Israeli court, I was aware of my chances," he observed in a statement read by his wife.

The court has ordered that he remain in custody until Sunday, pending the outcome of his libel suit against the *Maariv* newspaper, after which he may be deported at any time.

Refugees may be housed in factories

Hong Kong – Vietnamese refugees arriving here late this month will be housed in rented factory space if the summer influx continues, government sources said. (Christopher Pomery writes).

Fears of a summer flood of refugees came a step nearer at the weekend as a further 622 Vietnamese boat people were intercepted. Already this year 6,178 refugees have reached Hong Kong, compared with 3,395 last year. Two former refugee camps, reopened in the last fortnight, are full.

Rebel ambush

Kohima, India (Reuter) – Rebels fighting for an independent homeland for the Naga tribe shot dead six soldiers in an ambush in Nagaland, Indian Defence Ministry sources said.

Korea protest

Seoul (AFP) – Mr Park Rae Jon, a Seoul university student, is in critical condition in hospital after setting himself on fire as a gesture to demand reunification of the two Koreas.

Typhoid hits

Ankara (Reuter) – An outbreak of typhoid fever and diarrhoea has hit south-eastern Turkey and tourist areas on the Mediterranean coast.

Border open

Algiers (AFP) – Algeria and Morocco, which resumed diplomatic relations last month, have reopened two frontier crossings that have been closed for 12 years.

Typhoon toll

Manila (Reuter) – Thirty-six people, including 27 miners, are feared dead in the Philippines after Typhoon Susan triggered a week of floods.

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Politicians scramble to win spoils from Pakistan crisis

From Michael Hamlyn, Islamabad

President Zia's sacking of his Prime Minister and dismissal of the Pakistan National Assembly has thrown the politicians he evidently despises into a frenzy of hope, speculation and negotiation. All are scrambling for whatever prize may be obtained from the turmoil.

The focus is on negotiations to decide an interim Prime Minister. But the country is also watching with amazement as the Movement for the Restoration of Democracy, the nine-party group which bore the brunt of the campaign against martial law, continues to tear itself apart.

Even within the Pakistan People's Party, the major opposition group led by Miss Benazir Bhutto, the strains are showing, with its Punjab wing trying to assert its independence and a number of feudal leaders wondering whether they might not be better off fighting an election under another party's banner.

The principal contender for the vacant prime ministerial chair is Mr Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, who dashed back to Pakistan from the United States as soon as he heard the Government had been ousted.

Mr Jatoi, who broke away from Miss Bhutto's party after quarrelling with her and founded the National People's Party, has twice been offered the Prime Minister's job by President Zia, twice rejected it out of loyalty to the opposition, and twice regretted it.

Now he has been offered the post of Chief Minister of Sind, but is unwilling to take it. He wants to be Prime Minister. But he will take it only on two conditions, according to Dr Sarfraz Mir, a friend, relative and National People's Party leader. The first is a guarantee that elections will be called at the appropriate time; the second, that relations between the Prime Minister and other ministers be placed on an agreed footing, and ministers do not report directly to the President.

Newspapers cite a third condition, that his friend Mr Ghulam Mustafa Khar, presently in Rawalpindi jail charged with involvement in a political massacre in the time of Mr Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto, be released.

It seems unlikely, however, that he would make this a condition. It would be something he could deal with once he was in the post. It has also been reported that one reason for the dismissal as Prime Minister of Mr Mohammed Khan Junejo was that he, too, was planning Mr Khar's release.



Mr Junejo: Prepared to step down as his party's leader.

The Movement for the Restoration of Democracy has been meeting in Karachi to try to hammer out a common policy. The group nearly broke up when Miss Bhutto threatened to remove her party. The argument was over the number of seats that would be allocated to the other eight parties in an electoral alliance. They wanted 40 per cent, but Miss Bhutto said that they would examine the position constituency by constituency; whoever had the best chance of winning would become the jointly supported candidate.

Since she feels that her party's candidate would in almost all cases be the one most likely to succeed, she would have no interest in granting tickets to people who would not be under her control.

The Movement was supposed to end two days of deliberations yesterday but decided to carry on into a third day. The group is also divided by Miss Bhutto's party proposing to create a permanent structure for the alliance. The leadership rotates every three months, with the result that small parties find themselves in prominent positions.

Miss Bhutto does not like that and expects the predominant position of her party to be recognized. But Muslim fundamentalist parties have not yet reconciled themselves to the leadership of a woman.

The alliance's principal opponent, the Pakistan Muslim League, is also in disarray. Until a week ago it was the ruling party, created by Mr Junejo from the remnants of the old Muslim League run by his patron, the religious leader, the Pir of Pagara, and National Assembly supporters. Mr Junejo is reported to be prepared to step down as its leader.

Sotheby's Peking auction

Tepid bidding by jet set

Peking (Reuter) – Millionaires dipped into their pockets yesterday as Sotheby's held its first art auction in Communist China to raise money to save Venice from sinking and the Great Wall from crumbling.

"Bidding will be in yuan ... We accept all currencies," said the auctioneer, Mr Julian Thompson, speaking in Peking's Forbidden City before the auction. For those unfamiliar with Chinese money, an electronic scoreboard flashed up prices in sterling, dollars, French francs, yen and West German marks.

An audience of 200 wealthy foreign visitors, who each paid £2,529 for a luxury weekend in Peking, crowded into what was once the Hall of Ancestors but was renamed the Workers' Culture Palace after the Communist takeover in 1949.

Sixty-six lots of contemporary Western and Chinese art, including a jug by Picasso and gowns by Guy Laroche, were put up for sale, raising about £291,084, about half the amount hoped for by the organizers.

Most pieces were donated and Sotheby's waived its usual 10 per cent commission. Profits were to be divided equally for the preservation and restoration of Venice and the Great Wall.

"Extravagant? No, I don't think a weekend in Peking is too extravagant," drawled a young American.

"The catalogue costs more than I earn in a month," one of the Chinese attendants said, pointing to the 100 yuan (nearly £17) brochure. "It's a funny world."

Bidding was only occasionally lively. Some lots failed to attract any interest and many failed to reach catalogue estimates. One disappointment was a watercolour by Deng Lin, daughter of China's paramount leader, Mr Deng Xiaoping. It only fetched the equivalent of £1,400, well below the £3,750 estimate.

Boos echoed from the back of the ancient pillared hall when a creation by the French artist Arman was sold to a restaurateur for the highest price of the evening – £36,564.

"Some people think he's better at marketing his art than making it," carped one woman. Entitled "Peking Concerto Number One", Arman created it on stage the evening before, smashing violins and a cello on to canvas.

The jet-setters' luxury weekend has included champagne and caviar on the Great Wall itself, cordoned off by the Chinese authorities for a special fee of £31,764, breakfast in the Temple of Heaven where China's emperors made sacrifices, and a masked ball in the state guest house.

● NEW YORK: Sotheby's auction here on Saturday saw prices for Oriental rugs and carpets tripling estimates (Jenny Gilbert writes). A European private collector gave £148,300 for the faded glories of a 17th-century Persian carpet. It had been estimated that it would fetch £53,000 at most.

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Barco scraps US trip as crisis grows in Colombia

From Our Correspondent, Bogotá

President Barco Vargas of Colombia has cancelled a trip to the United States to deal with a political crisis stemming from the kidnapping of a prominent politician. The move follows a series of public stoppages and protests last week over civil violence.

In cities and towns throughout the nation, Colombians briefly stopped work to demand the release of Dr Alvaro Gómez Hurtado, a leading political figure kidnapped a week ago yesterday. Thursday's demonstration of national solidarity was called by the Liberal Government with the support of the opposition Social Conservative Party and the left-wing Unión Patriótica.

President Barco held an emergency Cabinet meeting on Saturday. He had hurried home from visits to Portugal, Spain and Italy last week, and had planned to leave yesterday for the United States. There he would have held talks with President Reagan and addressed a UN General Assembly session on disarmament. Señor Julio Londoño Paredes, the Foreign Minister, was sent instead.

"Colombia needs at this moment more than ever authentic and efficient international solidarity," a presidential statement said.

The authorities said they had no clue to Dr Gómez's whereabouts. But a government spokesman last week claimed to have uncovered conclusive evidence that Dr Gómez, twice a Conservative presidential candidate, had been kidnapped by the pro-Cuban National Liberation Army, responsible for a wave of abductions of foreign diplomats last month. Those officials were released unharmed within a few days, but it is feared that Dr Gómez, aged 69, received gunshot wounds when he was seized after attending Mass at his local church in Bogotá. His bodyguard was shot dead.

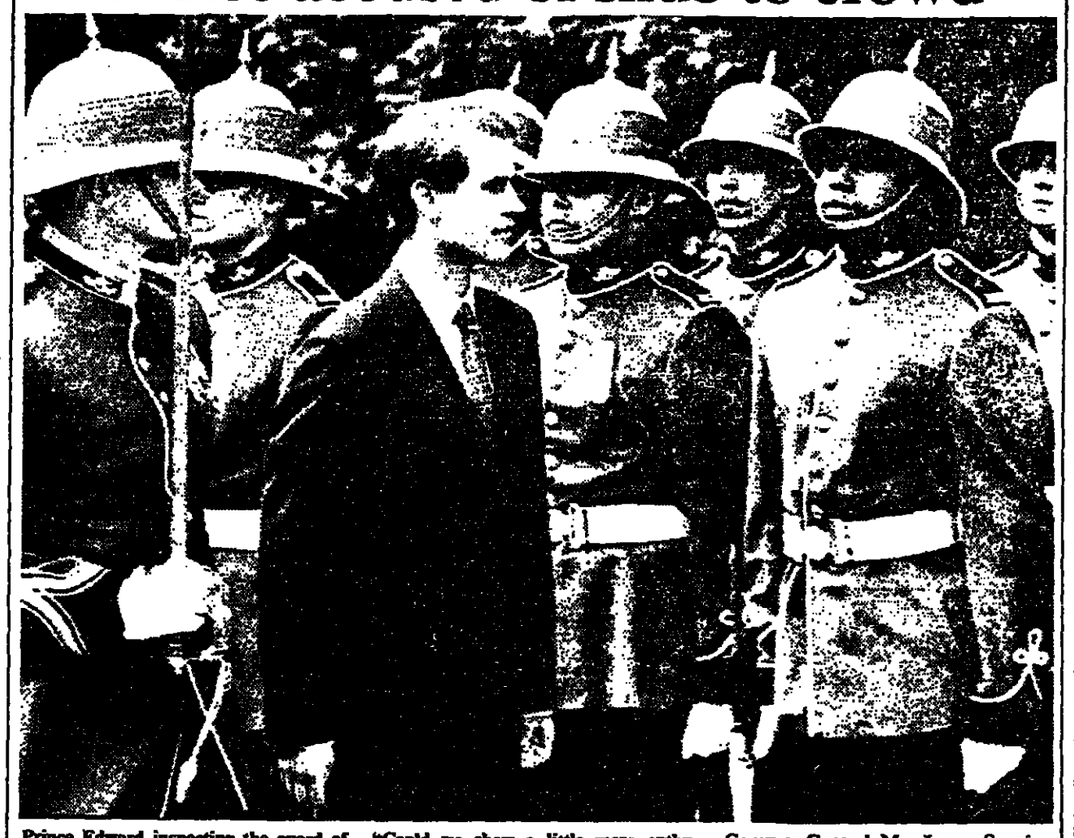
The Government's charge of responsibility ended strong speculation in the media that the kidnapping was linked to the Colombian cocaine cartel in the second largest city, Medellín, and to confederates of a top racketeer, Carlos Lehder, recently convicted on multiple drug-smuggling charges after a seven-month trial in Jacksonville, Florida.

The long arm of the Colombian drug mafia was made apparent again last week when police in Madrid reported that they had foiled a plot by the Medellín cartel to assassinate President Barco during his visit to the Spanish capital. The plot was said to be in revenge for Lehder's extradition to the US in February last year.

Ironically, violence has escalated as Colombian democracy has increased. Last Wednesday the country's first freely-elected mayors took office. In calling for Thursday's demonstration, the Interior Minister, Señor César Gaviria Trujillo, who was acting President during Señor Barco's absence, pointed out that Dr Gómez had been an early proponent of mayoral elections as a means of opening up and strengthening democracy.

President Barco now finds himself under increasing pressures to display strong leadership. He must find a way to curb the violence perpetrated by the drug mafia and by political extremists on both left and right.

Prince accused of snub to crowd



Prince Edward inspecting the guard of honour at Government House in Ottawa at the start of an eight-day visit to Canada. The visit was launched on a high-spirited note on Saturday when he startled about 200 onlookers at an award ceremony at Government House by suddenly bursting into applause and urging them to do the same with the words: "Could we show a little more enthusiasm?" The crowd clapped enthusiastically as the remaining 44 recipients of Duke of Edinburgh awards received their certificates. Later, Prince Edward apologized for the "ticking off", adding: "But it did give a nice atmosphere when we started, didn't it?" His arrival at Government House — home of Canada's Governor-General, Mrs Jeanne Sauvé — struck a sour note when he seemed to ignore about 500 people gathered outside to welcome him. After inspecting the guard of honour, the Prince walked past the crowd, looking straight ahead. Many of the onlookers were offended, and one woman said that she would write a letter of complaint to Buckingham Palace.

Mine blast mix-up

Rescuers knew of six survivors

From John England, Bonn

Six West German miners, trapped for three days by an explosion and assumed to be dead before being found in an air pocket, had radio contact with rescuers only hours after the blast, mine officials admitted yesterday.

But the men were told to keep quiet so that rescue teams could listen for sounds from other trapped men. It was the last the six survivors of the disaster at the lignite mine at Borken, in Hesse, heard from the outside world until their rescue on Saturday.

Officials on Wednesday denied reports that there had been radio contact with some of the 57 trapped men. Next day they indicated that they believed all those caught at a depth of 330ft must be dead.

But Herr Heinz Cramer, chairman of the Preussen-Elektra mine company, said yesterday there had been a brief radio link only three hours after the midday explosion. There had been no further contact, and rescue supervisors had then believed that what they had heard was walkie-talkie traffic between rescue teams underground.

The disclosure of what could have been a fatal error of judgement has brought a sour note to the joy and relief over the survival of the lucky five Germans and a Turk. Borken was mourning yesterday the known 45 dead after the discovery of eight more bodies during the night, leaving six men still missing.

One of the rescued men, Herr Thomas Geppert, aged 37, a leading mine hand and volunteer fireman with safety and survival training, is credited with having saved his group. While nine other men raced instinctively for the exit shaft, he led his party to a gallery cul-de-sac in a successful search for an air pocket.

"We didn't hear the explosion, but felt the blast wave", he said. "We thought the explosives store had gone up. I knew we would soon be in danger from gas, so quickly looked for a safe corner. We tested the air with our cigarette lighters and found a pocket of clean air about 100 yards long at the end of a gallery. Then we settled down to wait for rescue."

The men had lunch boxes and water bottles, but Herr Geppert told them to eat and drink as little as possible, and to lie down and breathe lightly. Only one lamp was used at a time and the men took turns in using two hammers to signal rescue teams.

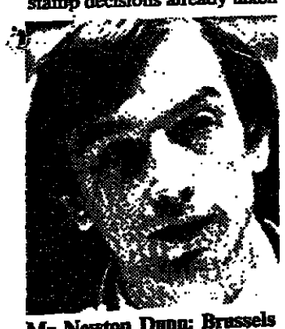
Grumbles over EEC secrecy

Brussels View
By Richard Owen

With the Moscow meeting between President Reagan and Mr Mikhail Gorbachov over, Mrs Thatcher is preparing for two Western summit meetings this month — the Toronto Western economic meeting and the EEC summit in Hanover.

At the Hanover summit, in particular, the issues — such as a European central bank — will affect the lives of the 320 million people in the Community. But what control will British taxpayers — or French or German taxpayers — have over decisions made in Hanover? For a growing number of Euro-MPs, including some in Mrs Thatcher's party, the answer is "disturbingly little".

As Mr Bill Newton Dunn, Tory MEP for Lincolnshire, argues in a discussion paper released in Brussels yesterday, EEC decisions are still largely taken in secret. As the single European market approaches in 1992, hundreds of fundamental decisions about our daily lives are taken in Brussels and then presented to national parliaments as law. All Westminster does, Tory Euro-MPs say, is to rubber-stamp decisions already taken



Mr Newton Dunn: Brussels decisions rubber-stamped

in Brussels. "The truth is that national MPs have already lost their powers to control EEC decisions," Mr Newton Dunn observes.

This is not a message that Westminster, or any other Parliament, likes to hear. Nor is its corollary: that the lack of democratic control over decision-making — known in EEC jargon as the "democratic deficit" — can be remedied by a transfer of power to the European Parliament, by making the appointment of Commissioners an open process, and by exposing the meetings of the Council of Ministers to public scrutiny.

The 17-man EEC Commission draws up proposals, the European Parliament examines them, offering an "opinion", and the Council of Ministers (made up of ministers from the Twelve) then passes or rejects them. There is no appeal and no right of amendment. Asked a few years ago what the procedures were for democratic control of EEC decisions, Mrs Thatcher said they were subject to parliamentary scrutiny". But as Mr Newton Dunn points out, Westminster debates on EEC matters are purely "play acting". Ministers report to Parliament not to see whether an EEC decision should be amended or overturned but "to convince MPs how well they personally did during the secret negotiations in Brussels".

This argument tends to underestimate the extent to which decision-making can be scrutinized during the long haul from proposal to directive. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, justifies the secrecy of Council proceedings by comparing the body to a Cabinet rather than a legislature: Cabinet proceedings are confidential. Brussels-based correspondents none the less manage to report what is going on by gaining access to officials, diplomats and documents.

On the other hand, this gives all 12 governments and the Commission scope for manipulating the media through "briefings".

The press can piece the picture together by comparing one national briefing with another. But why not simply admit the press to Council meetings, creating the equivalent of the press gallery in Congress or Parliament, and excluding reporters only when sensitive negotiations between the Twelve are at stake?

Part of the answer is a "Catch 22": the Council, the EEC's top body under the Treaty of Rome, would itself have to take the decision to expose its own deliberations to the public — "about as likely as a Soviet leader voting himself out of office by holding free elections", in the words of one EEC diplomat.

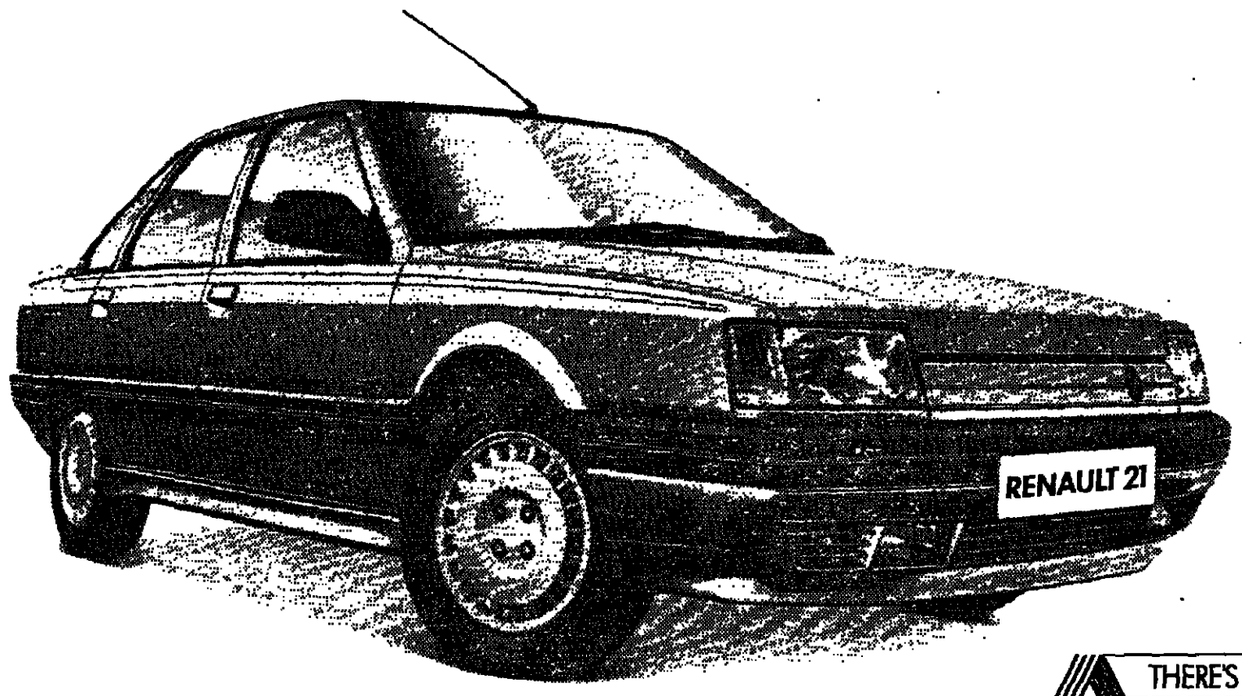
The alternative — giving the European Parliament greater powers — has the merit that Euro-MPs are elected and accountable. But the European Parliament, despite reforms under the Single Act, has yet to earn the kind of public esteem and confidence which would fit it for this role. There is no immediate prospect of the European Parliament living up to its name and becoming a true legislature for the peoples of Europe.

Meanwhile, the problem of democracy in the EEC becomes more acute. It will grow even more pressing if, as part of the 1992 process, power gravitates still further to Brussels, with the EEC acquiring control over such areas as defence and security, indirect or direct taxation, a common currency and European central bank, and the co-ordination of police forces against crime and terrorism in a frontier-free Europe.

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THE TIMES GOOD UNIVERSITY GUIDE

Part Six: Breaking down the barriers

Imagine a final examination in which you must sit in front of a row of academics who fire questions for half an afternoon on every aspect of your university degree course. The exam is open to the public — your friends and anyone seeking free entertainment can come and hear your fumbling replies. This is not merely a *viva voce* to decide your grade but is the main exam itself — four or more years of study depends literally on a "performance".

This nightmare is standard practice in Italian universities. In France, some subjects offer no choice on the question paper. And in most European countries, except for Britain, thousands of students who begin university courses never finish them as they are weeded out by successively demanding exams.

These are some of the insights into Continental academia which students at the University of Kent at Canterbury have picked up through being part of the Erasmus scheme, one of the EEC's most challenging ventures.

More than 850 universities are now involved in Erasmus agreements to exchange students for large parts of their degree courses. What makes Erasmus special is that students do more than simply spend time abroad — they take exams in the foreign university, with no allowances made for language difficulties, and gain a very valuable credit towards their degree in return.

The students receive grants from the Commission to cover travel costs and some academics also receive funding for study visits; one day, it is hoped, there will be a network of Euro-dons of top calibre circling the Community on Commission-funded lecture tours.

The Commission aims to have 150,000 students — 5 per cent of the total in the EEC — whizzing around on Erasmus exchanges and picking up "mosaic" degrees.

Beneath this ambition is a Commission plan to break down the resistance of legal, medical and other professional bodies to the idea of harmonized European professional qualifications. Even if that never happens the students now involved are becoming genuinely European in ways that no end of harmonized trade regulations can achieve.

Sometimes a little too European, perhaps, I thought when, courtesy of the Commission, I recently met a supremely confident multilingual gaggle of students in Rheims, which is part of a quadrilateral scheme involving Middlesex Polytechnic's Business School. They were "the future of Europe", they informed me and other European journalists.

John Reilly, a law don at Kent University who has done much to inspire his own university with enthusiasm for Erasmus, is worried that language teaching is so poor in Britain that few students really stand a chance. But for those who do, the opportunities are worth looking at, and unless we take languages more seriously in British schools, we will ruin our students' hopes of competing.

Students I talked to in Rheims and at Kent were certain that they had acquired what Marcella Missiroli, an Italian student reading English literature at Kent, dubbed "European flair". One Kent student, Stuart Jennings, admits that his year at the Université Jean Moulin in Lyon, studying accountancy, was hard work, and that living in France was expensive.

But the exposure to a different system was invaluable and he now looks at British university life with new eyes. "The French system is very different: only a small proportion of the French students I was with will get their degrees as they will be weeded out by end-of-year exams. The lectures are huge and much more significant to the course, and you do not have the close contact with teachers that you get in England," he told me.

Stephan Honrath, a German student who is in Kent studying economics, agrees that British universities are special: "Here at Kent we have to learn to write essays very quickly. You learn to express concepts concisely. In a German university, you may not write more than four essays in five years.

"The British system is more efficient. You get an overview of a subject in a relatively short time. The disadvantage, though, is that you never spend long on any one topic — that can be a bit unsatisfying."

The European students at Kent are struck by how much more accessible the dons are and they relish the chance of being taught in small groups and seminars. Charles Ennadam, who came to Kent from the Université des Sciences Sociales de Grenoble to finish a law degree, finds English academic life easier: "In France you have to know the stuff really, really well and in the exam you have just one question and spend three hours applying everything you have learnt to the one problem. In England they give you five questions that have to be dealt with quickly and efficiently."

But how do we Brits measure up as people? We are less cliquey than the French, though we need some effort to get to know and are perhaps not as warm as the Germans. Derek Clark, who studied in Marburg for a year, found the German students exceptionally welcoming and within days was mucking in in the kitchen of a student flat.

But Stephan Honrath is flabbergasted by the English student's idea of having fun. "At Christmas the Kent students organize a grand ball — black tie, long gowns and everything," he said in wonderment, "and £18 a ticket!" The typical German student's party wear is more in the jeans and T-shirt bracket — but Stephan now has a standing invitation to come to the next someone will lend him a dinner jacket. Vive la difference!

Sarah Thompson



We Europeans: students taking part in the EEC Erasmus exchange scheme at Kent University, Canterbury

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A to Z: KENT to LIVERPOOL

Student views are taken either from the Alternative Prospectuses or Student Union spokesmen.

KENT

Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NZ (0227 764000)
Inquiries: Senior Assistant Registrar
Location: Stands in 300-acres overlooking the historic city.
History: Founded 1963. Darwin, the last of four colleges, opened 1970.
Undergraduates: 3,690, (Male/Female ratio 5:4).
Main areas of study: English and American Literature, Law, Electronic Engineering. Among most popular courses are Accounting, Law, English, Biochemistry/ Microbiology, Electronics and Computing. Length of degree course: three or four years, depending on subject.
Special features: Kent does not have a traditional departmental system. The first year course is general and changing subjects is relatively easy. There is a strong personal tutor system. Kent offers unique courses in African and Caribbean Studies and Biomedic Electronics.
Social Life: All students are allocated to one of four colleges on campus. Most first-years are guaranteed a room. The university also has 157 purpose-built houses. Accommodation in Canterbury is hard to find and many second and third years live out in Whitstable or Herne Bay. Social, cultural and sporting life tends to centre around each college. The Gulbenkian Theatre attracts visiting professional companies. Sports Centre includes a sports injuries clinic and coaching to international standard.
Student view: "The campus is essentially a self-contained 'village' overlooking the cathedral city. At weekends the campus becomes a bit of a ghost town as hordes of students visit home and friends. Dabbling in subjects outside your own discipline fends off academic tunnel vision."
Famous graduates: Kazuo Ishiguro.
Open days: Run on a subject basis. June 24 (Science), September 26 (History). Contact Registry for further details.

LAMPETER

St David's University College, Lampeter, Dyfed SA48 7ED (0570 422351).
Inquiries: Deputy Registrar.
Location: Smallest university in Western Europe, sited in market town of Lampeter.
History: Founded in 1822. It merged with the University of Wales in 1971.
Undergraduates: 750 (M/F 1:1).
Main areas of study: English, History, Geography, Theology and Religious Studies. Popular courses include Philosophy, Archaeology, Ancient History, and Religious Studies. Length of degree course: three or four years depending on subject.
Special features: Only the Humanities taught here. Students take three subjects in their first year and can choose from a range including Swedish, Welsh, Philosophy and Archaeology. Lampeter operates an exchange scheme with the Canadian university.
Social life: All first years and most second and third year students are allocated college rooms. The SU operates a bilingual policy in this essentially Welsh-speaking area. A close-knit community because of its size and remote setting. The College Arts Hall attracts companies like the Welsh National Opera and there is an active music club.
Student view: "We are a rather small University College in the middle of rural Wales. If you live out of town it is advisable to have your own transport. Although you might think a place as small as Lampeter would have practically no social life, apart from counting sheep, there is rarely a night without some kind of event."
Famous graduates: Sue Slipman.
Open days: Applicants are invited to new entrants conferences during Christmas and Easter vacations.

LANCASTER

University House, Lancaster LA1 4YW (0524 65201)
Inquiries: Director of Admissions.
Location: Attractive 250-acre 1960s campus set close to the sea and the Lake District.
History: Founded in 1964.
Undergraduates: 4,070 (M/F 1:1).
Major areas of study: Largest fields English, Economics and History. Most popular courses Management Sciences (especially Accounting, Finance and Marketing), Law and Psychology. Length of degree course: three or four years depending on subject.
Special features: All students take three subjects during their first year, then specialize. Facilities for students to organize their own studies and to change course if necessary.
Social life: Nearly all first years live on campus in one of the eight colleges as do the majority of final year students. Social, recreational and much academic activity centres around the colleges with JCRs as the focus of social life. The colleges hold regular discos and the SU has a nightclub in town. Multi-purpose sports centre has swimming pool, 12 squash courts, a dance studio, sauna and solarium.
Student view: "The university has a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, set in beautiful surroundings with a good social life. The college residences vary in standard but are mainly good and the degree scheme is flexible."
Famous graduates: Robert Fisk, Linda Lewis (TV reporter), Gary Waller MP
Open days: None this summer.

LEEDS

Leeds LS2 9JT (0532 333993).
Inquiries: Assistant registrar.
Location: One of Britain's largest civic universities, Leeds is situated on a 140-acre site just north of the city centre. Victorian architecture blended with glass and concrete.
History: Founded as the Yorkshire College of Science in 1874.
Undergraduates: 8,625 (M/F 5:4).
Main areas of study: English, Medicine, Business and Economic Studies. Among the most popular courses are Fine Arts, Psychology, Economics and Social History, Law. Length of degree course: between three and five years depending on subject.
Special features: One of the major university libraries in the country with some two million books and periodicals and a computerized book circulation system.
Social life: All first year students can be accommodated in halls of residence either on campus, or a few miles away. There are also university flats within walking distance of the campus. The SU organizes a wide range of entertainments and welfare services — a free minibus service for women students, for example. There is also a new sports hall.
Student view: "It is all too easy to dismiss Leeds campus as much too big. Visiting sixth formers often say 'I'd get lost'. Given a couple of weeks the campus shrinks to an easily manageable size and offers better facilities than many other smaller campuses."
Famous graduates: Jack Straw MP, Nicholas Witchell.
Open day: July 6.

LEICESTER

University Road, Leicester, LE1 7RH (0533 522295)
Inquiries: Admissions officer.
Location: One mile south of the city centre, the campus is small, compact and surrounded by fields. Georgian and award-winning modern architecture.
History: Founded in 1918.
Undergraduates: 3,900 (M/F 5:4).
Main areas of study: Law, Medicine, Engineering, Biological Sciences. The four most popular courses are Psychology, Geography, History of Art, Law. Length of degree course: three to four years, five for medicine.
Special features: Leicester offers an impressive range of subjects which means that most students opt for combined or joint honours courses. It has a comprehensive library.
Social life: All new entrants are offered university accommodation in Halls of Residence or student houses. A pleasant middle-of-the-road university with good sports facilities, a fine athletics track and a strong history of debating. There is a resident chamber music group and an active theatre workshop.
Student view: "Accommodation is fairly plentiful with some 3,000 places in university and a fairly large private sector. However, rents are rising fast. It has a good shopping centre and lots of very good restaurants to suit all tastes."
Famous graduates: Malcolm Bradbury, C.P. Snow, J.H. Plumb (historian)
Open day: June 23.

LIVERPOOL

PO Box 147, Liverpool L69 3BX (051 709 7919).
Inquiries: Schools Relations Office.
Location: The university lies in the shadow of the Catholic Cathedral and occupies a 100-acre precinct five minutes from the city centre.
History: The university was founded in 1881.
Undergraduates: 6,242 (M/F 3:2).
Main areas of study: Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science. Social and Environmental Studies. Accounting and Business Economics, and Combined Honours (Arts) are very popular. The demand for places on Engineering courses is rising faster than the national average. Applications for specialist course, Material Science and Engineering, are up to 32 per cent this year. Three or four year degree courses, five for dentistry and medicine.
Special features: The university was recently awarded an Interdisciplinary Research Centre in surface science worth £10 million. It also has recently acquired a £350,000 Scanning Auger electron microscope. Science Park (with Liverpool Polytechnic).
Social life: All first years are offered placed in one of eight Halls of Residence on two attractive parkland sites some three miles from the precinct. The second largest SU building in Europe houses four dining rooms, a theatre, library and even a hairdressers. Excellent sports facilities include a six-lane swimming pool, dance studio, sauna and solarium, rifle and pistol shooting ranges.
Student view: "It should be noted that Liverpool offers the widest range of courses outside of Oxford and Cambridge. Despite its reputation, there is life, humour, and endless activity in the city, with money being pumped into the development of the leisure and tourism industry."
Famous graduates: Jon Snow, Phil Redmond (*Grange Hill*), Willy Russell
Open days: Annually in May or by arrangement.

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SCIENCE REPORT

Nature's acid test

Foresters in the United States are worried about the long-term decline of red spruce woodlands. But to link this with the direct effects of acid rain may be premature, according to new research.

While Walter Shortle and Kevin Smith of the US Department of Agriculture say in the May 20 issue of *Science* that evidence for a direct causal link between the general malaise of spruce forests and industrial-sulphur and nitrogen-oxide emissions is "moot", they show that soil acidity may have an important, if less direct, part to play because it releases toxic amounts of aluminium.

Even though the red spruce has no economic importance, it is a favourite subject for research because it is particularly sensitive to acid pollution and serves a useful model for what might happen to other trees such as the Norway spruce, the sitka spruce, the scots pine and the silver fir.

Just as miners once used canaries to warn of impending disaster, foresters rely on the red spruce for information about how trees are damaged by pollution.

The new research demonstrates how aluminium in acid soils blocks the entry of essential calcium into tree roots. In acid soils, the aluminium leaches out into the ground-water. Once in the water, it causes a film around the microscopic hairs on the roots of trees, thereby blocking the passage of calcium through the root walls and into the trees. High concentrations of soluble aluminium will kill the roots directly, but any concentration that exceeds the concentration of calcium in the soil can deny calcium to the tree.



PAUL BRYANT

Trees need regular doses of calcium to build cell walls and woody tissue. In their survey of red spruce woodlands in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, Shortle and Smith could easily recognize calcium-deficient trees by a host of symptoms. The trees grow more slowly than their healthy neighbours, are more susceptible to attack by fungi and insects, and are rather spindly.

Because the conducting vessels in the trunks, which transport water and nutrients, do not develop properly without calcium, many trees outgrow their strength, their crowns becoming starved of nutrients and dying off. This is the most characteristic feature of the so-called Calcium Deficiency Syndrome when trees are examined from the air.

Researchers at the Institute of Terrestrial Ecology in Edinburgh are also interested in the red spruce as a model for the effects of acid pollution. In common with American researchers, they suspect that acid pollution is just one factor hastening the demise of a species already in decline.

The red spruce normally grows at moderately high altitudes where forests are often blanketed by mists and low clouds. Research in Edinburgh shows that high concentrations of acid in clouds diminish the ability of the red spruce to withstand frosts.

The frost sensitivity of the red spruce is accentuated by previous acid damage, particularly in the crucial hardening-off period when a tree becomes acclimatized to early winter frosts. The Edinburgh group hopes to test this effect on the Norway spruce next year.

The special problems of the red spruce could be related to genetics. The red spruce has an unusual distribution, growing in small clumps and patches along the line of the Appalachians from Canada and Maine down to the Carolinas. This pattern has all the hallmarks of a once widespread species forced into a specialized niche by hardier competitor-species.

Unlike the Norway spruce, whose enormous genetic variability forestry researchers describe as "notorious", the red spruce displays a remarkable genetic uniformity. This is odd in view of the patchy distribution of the red spruce, which might be expected to leave each population with its own genetic idiosyncrasies. The genetic uniformity of the red spruce may be a clue to its environmental susceptibility.

Henry Gee

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CLEMENT FREUD

The flight departed from Gatwick at 6am, the man in my bucket shop told me. As the return ticket to the Algarve cost less than a first-class single London-Glasgow by British Rail, I thanked him cordially and checked in two hours before take-off, as the charter company said I must. This had not been my original plan: I was going to catch the 4am train from Victoria but the minicab driver whom I had summoned for 3.30 arrived early, said Gatwick was only £20 further than Victoria and if he drove me all the way I would not get mugged on the train. We made it by 3.55 am. Two and a half hours at the airport prior to take-off then two and a quarter hours in the air.

It is said that the Englishman's dream holiday is Brighton — or Blackpool or Skeggy — with sunshine. I like sunshine and Radio 4; make do with sunshine and the World Service; just about manage on sunshine and newspapers. Something has happened to the shortwave radio which now confines listening to the output of Albania (I think it is Albania) and you do not get London papers in the Algarve until the day after publication.

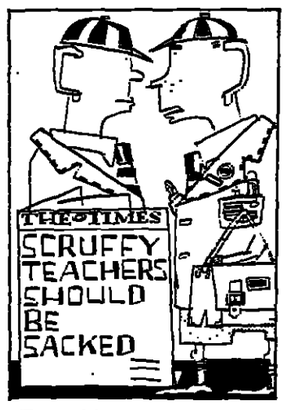
Each morning starting at 8.30am flights arrive at Faro from Heathrow, Gatwick, Luton, Stansted, Birmingham, Manchester, Newcastle etc. Each day thousands of UK holidaymakers leave tonnes of newsprint on their planes and each day 100,000 temporary or permanent expatriates have to make do with the previous day's papers giving news of what went on the day before that. Much is written about what to bring back from a vacation to this or that country. When will people be told to *take* newspapers abroad and give them to the last holiday intake . . . failing that at least to take note of the Test match score and tell anxious cricket fans. Not surprisingly, Radio Albania is totally silent on the subject.

Norm and Sandra run a bar in a village west of Faro. Norm and Sandra are their real names; go almost anywhere in the Algarve and Norm and Sandra are there, running a bar. They came out on holiday, liked the weather and the people and the exchange rate . . . and bought or rented the premises from some Norm and Sandra who were packing it in.

They have a friend called Keith who helps out behind the bar when they want an evening off, a local Maria who comes and does the cleaning, and with beer wholesaling at less than 20p a pint they make a steady 100 per cent profit on drink — though you have to sell an awful lot of beer before that profit amounts to serious money.

Then one night Sandra nudges Norm and says "How about putting up the price of beer by 10 escudos? It will still be less than half what they pay in the UK." And Norm says "Good thinking, Sandra." Up goes the price, away go the Portuguese to some other bar — most houses in the Algarve appear to be bars — and the Brits on holiday don't like places where all they can see are other Brits on holiday; *exeunt* Norm and Sandra, enter Sandra and Norm. If petrol were cheaper you could enjoy a free and very alcoholic life on the south coast of Portugal simply attending Norm and Sandra moving-in and moving-out parties.

BARRY FANTONI



'Poor old Smithies — he's spent a lifetime cultivating his barmy chemistry master look'

I went on Friday to the fish market in my local town and found a large, good-looking salmon; took him home, removed head and tail and gut, split him down the back, removed his main bone and went at subsidiary bones with pincers. Then did I carve one of the clean fillets into long thin slices and put them upon plates, dressing the raw salmon with a sprinkling of coarse salt, some sprigs of dill and a few drops of vodka before weighing down the treated fish with the next plate. I put the stack of five plates (four portions) to mature overnight in a cool corner of the kitchen.

Maria who tends my house here — as do people of her name tend all Algarvian houses — had the plates washed and stacked before I came down to breakfast and said what I took to be Portugese for: "So you *lot* didn't go a bundle on the raw fish?"

The Portugese telephone service is less than very efficient. If you want to make a call to Britain, stick to ringing at unsociable hours and allow for half a dozen attempts — which will yield you on average three unobtainable, one nothing, one wrong number and the number you have dialled; in accordance with Sod's Law this will be engaged, necessitating another six calls.

There is a waiting list of several years for telephones and one of the big selling points in Algarve property advertisements is that "this house has a phone". Sadly one cannot get a listing in the directory unless one gets a *new* telephone, which entails giving up the existing equipment and going on the waiting list.

If you find someone's name in the directory — the whole southern region of the country takes up only 427 *pages* — it means that they are very old or have changed their name to that of the previous subscriber. This information is largely irrelevant because the lines are so beset by crackle, static and other people's conversations hogging the atmosphere like the Cheshire cat smile that the phone is for short, sharp, urgent messages only. Chatline would never catch on in the land of our oldest ally.

"The Cold War is over" — that cliché reverberated on the airwaves and found its way into countless editorials on the conclusion of last week's Moscow summit. The historical accuracy of the assertion was matched by the intellectual acuity of the American journalists who constantly shouted at Mr Reagan: "Do you *still think* of Russia as the evil empire?" Both reactions reflected the fact that the summit was short on substance but long on symbolism. And symbolism is easier to manipulate, to exaggerate, and even to distort.

The hard facts, however, are less sensational but, unfortunately, more enduring. The Cold War is not over, and the empire is still evil. Mr Reagan, had he been better coached, could have responded to the badgering by saying that the Russian people are not evil but that imperial power has been and is — and even in the Soviet Union many would have understood him and agreed with him. Instead, placed on the defensive and determined not to offend his hosts, he contributed to the impression that the past is truly past.

Alas, it is not so. The Cold War *continues*. The clash of philosophy and of geostrategy has not been terminated. The issues that precipitated the post-World War II collision have not been resolved. The growing unrest *in Eastern Europe against* the regimes imposed by Stalin is but one manifestation of the unresolved past. And new theatres of rivalry and conflict have since opened: in the Middle East/Gulf region and increasingly in Central America.

The summit, however, did underline two important changes in the character of that continuing Cold War — and they deserve serious comment. The first is that the West is now on the offensive ideologically and even politically. The cause of human rights, first raised high by President Carter, has put the Soviet leaders on the defensive, and they have been forced gradually and grudgingly to *make concessions*. Moreover, their own need to reform the Stalinist system creates additional openings for those who seek more freedom, and Mr Reagan was skilful in dramatizing the centrality of freedom in our age by his actions and words.

The meeting with the oppositionists and political victims was truly significant. It communicated to countless others that they are no longer alone and that even the Soviet regime no longer dares to crush them. The comments on religion will doubtless echo within a Soviet Union increasingly aware that communism has turned the country into a spiritual wasteland. Dissent and religion have gained additional respectability — and that, too, puts the official ideology on the defensive.

For the past 40 years or so, communism seemed to be on the offensive. Today it is receding even within the sphere of its power. All the reforms and changes being discussed and occasionally implemented testify to the failure of the *communist system*, to its inefficiency, and to its basic misunderstanding of the impulses that guide human conduct. The result is a pervasive loss of optimism.

The themes of the summit, even if Mr Reagan was drawn into oversimplifying the Soviet reality and inadvertently contributing to an overly benign view of it — were far more compatible with Western notions than with the dogmas that have been institutionalized over the last 70 years of the Soviet experience.

The summit's second change in the character of the Cold War pertains to military stability. Fortunately, Mr Reagan did accept the advice of those who, just prior to Moscow, had urged him not to sign jointly with Mr Gorbachov any grandiose declarations or even a so-called provisional framework agreement on Start, since a formal signature would contribute to the mistaken impression that unresolved problems have somehow been solved. None the less, Mr Reagan's comments about nuclear weapons, eagerly seized upon by Gorbachov, have contributed to the further undermining of nuclear deterrence as the basis for military stability in the Cold War.

That war has remained cold in large part because of nuclear deterrence, and one is entitled to wonder whether the moment is ripe for the dismantling of that proven barrier to a more direct conflict. Denouncing nuclear weapons may be a popular sport, but in the absence of a grand political accommodation the effect is to make a conventional war more feasible.

Moreover, it would be better if *such* talk was more directly linked to evident and concrete changes in Soviet military dispositions and budgeting. So far, for all the talk about changed priorities, Soviet defence spending remains extraordinarily high. It is at least 20 per cent of the Soviet GNP — and I was struck that in a recent interview with me, published in the Soviet press, the Soviet side did not contest my use of that estimate. It would surely be in keeping with the present atmosphere and consistent with Mr Gorbachov's emphasis on nuclear disarmament if that percentage were to be cut by at least a half.

The festival of feigned friendship should, therefore, not make us lose sight of two fundamental realities: ideologically, democracy and the values traditionally associated with the West are *prevailing* and the historical momentum has turned decisively against communism; but the Soviet Union remains a powerful military state — indeed, it is in fact a one-dimensional world power in that respect — and the glare of world publicity should increasingly focus on the disproportionate and potentially dangerous scale of the Soviet military effort.

With the Soviet ideology discredited, and with the Soviet system an admitted failure, it is *that military* effort that poses the greatest threat to international stability. It follows, therefore, that any major extension of credits and any major Western investments in Soviet *perestroika* should await truly significant cuts in Soviet military spending. Western arms control proposals should also have that goal in mind and they should specifically aim at major reductions in the disproportionately large Soviet conventional forces, especially tanks.

The progressive elimination of the Soviet military threat, in the wake of the fading of the Soviet ideological challenge, pointing toward the gradual and peaceful dismantling of the Soviet empire, could then justify some of today's prematurely hopeful conclusions.

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Zbigniew Brzezinski warns against summit over-optimism

First cracks in the ice

Bernard Levin

Foul deeds of desecration

There seems no doubt that anything which is possible for a human being to do will sooner or later be done; at the very least it will be seriously contemplated. No less stark a rule could cover the episode of the Maori head. For those who have not been following the story, I offer a brief summary.

A woman in this country had in her possession — acquired when or how I do not know, though lawfully — a preserved human head. It was the head of a Maori warrior, and experts assigned it to the early 19th century; presumably, it was the custom to make such trophies of war, though whether it was the victorious side who treated their enemies thus, or the losing side who mourned in this fashion their fallen comrades, is not clear.

Anyway, the woman in our story apparently saw no difference between a human head and an inlaid escritoire, and sent the object to Bonham's, the auctioneers, to sell for her. Bonham's, for their part, made no demur, and prepared to offer one human head, in good condition, with tattoo, to the highest bidder at a forthcoming sale. Now read on.

Autres temps, autres moeurs; many a ritual once thought perfectly normal has come to seem abhorrent, from cannibalism to burning witches. The Maoris today are peaceful people, and their grievances, which I believe are real, are pleaded in Parliament, newspapers and courts of law, rather than on the battlefield; nor have I heard that even homicide among them is followed by any such ancient and macabre ritual.

And yet there is in England a woman and a firm of auctioneers who between them are unable to see that they might be doing anything odd by trading in human heads. Moreover, when the story broke, it transpired that these relics are widely admired collector's pieces, and good specimens can fetch large sums; the one under discussion was likely to go for something like £6,000. Indeed, another firm of auctioneers have expressed genuine indignation at the fact that the fuss has obliged them to postpone a sale including a substantial collection of these heads.

For the moment, everything is on hold; legal action from New Zealand has frozen bids until a decision on the ultimate ownership can be come to. On the legal proceedings I naturally make no comment; it is the moral questions involved that interest me. Maori leaders have called the impending sale a "degrading and deeply offensive desecration", and that strikes me as scoring very high marks for both succinctness and strict accuracy.

Let me ask the seller and the auctioneer (and those who were thinking of making a bid) a question so offensive that it might penetrate even hides which at present seem thick enough to resist a direct hit by a heatseeking nuclear missile.

Among the horrors of Nazism and the Final Solution, there are authenticated instances of flayed Jewish skin being made into lampshades. Now suppose such a thing had come, without any law being broken, into the seller's possession, and she, quite within her rights, asked Bonham's to sell it for what it would fetch, would the parties to the transaction (seller, auctioneer, buyer) feel a sense of unease, attributable after much investigation to the realization that what they were doing was *wrong*?

Obviously, if the answer is "no", I have nothing more to say to them, which would cut this interesting discussion short; so let us assume that it is "yes". The next question, then, must be obvious: what's the difference?



Is it that the Maori died longer ago than the Jew? That cannot be the answer; profaning the dead has no statute of limitations, and if it is wrong to treat as commerce a body violently killed in this century, it can hardly be right to take the opposite view of one done to death in the last.

Can the differing nature of the two deaths establish a defence, so that a body found on a battlefield is less worthy of respect than one found in a gas-chamber? I can't see why. Both were, after all, human beings cut off before their time, and in any case it is not how they died that poses the hard question, but what is to be done with what remains; as far as I am concerned, the principle is the same if the dead man died of measles, or even old age.

Or is it that the Maori died in an unfathomable tribal quarrel on the other side of the world, but the Jew was killed in civilized Europe? But since when did morality depend on geography? (I had better stop this catechism before somebody announces that I am quite right, that there is indeed no difference between the two dreadful souvenirs, and that it is therefore as fully acceptable to buy or sell the lampshade as the head.)

We live, God knows, in a strange and portentous time; I sometimes suspect that those who assert that the world is coming to an end know more than we think, and certainly there is evidence to support such a view. Violence has always been endemic in human societies, but certain kinds of it, wholly independent of gain or any other rational motive, now seem more prevalent than ever. The sniffing of cocaine is, in some circles, considered not just enjoyable, let alone dangerous, but smart, amusing, elegant. Tradition is a joke, the very past a junkyard. As Chesterton sang, "They twisted even decent sin to shapes not to be named".

Well, they have given it an extra twist now. Let us examine the nature of it more closely. If a human head is to you a toy, an ornament or another acquisition for your *cabinet de voyeur*, it does not mean that you are wicked, but it does mean that there is something missing in your make-up. I think I know what the missing element is, and there is a curiously recondite yet useful test for defining it.

The touchstone will be found in the 22nd and 24th books of the *Iliad*. Achilles, having refused to take any further part in the war, is roused to fury and to battle by the death of his friend Patroclus at the hands of Hector. Achilles goes forth to face the victorious Trojan, and kills him. Up to that point there is nothing special for a reader to feel; this is a war, after all, and people get killed in wars. But mark the sequel. Achilles ties the body of Hector, by the heels, to his chariot, and drags the noble corpse round the walls of Troy.

There is your test. If you can read the passage without feeling a profound pity and revulsion, you could buy or sell a tattooed Maori warrior's head; if not, you couldn't. Go on to the sequel, in which Priam begs the mangled body of his son, so that he can bury it with dignity and the proper rites; if, the boon granted and the obsequies held, you feel a deep sense of fitness and resolution in the story (though Hector, after all, is still dead, and his father still heartbroken), then you have in you that precious element which those who feel nothing as Hector is laid in earth do not have.

Imagination is the missing ingredient. That Maori head once spoke; in a strange tongue, no doubt, but spoke. It kissed its wife; it cursed its enemies; it got wet in the rain; it died, and was severed from its shoulders. The body below the head was just as real; take its hand and feel the warmth of a living being. Imagination stirs, does it not?

It stirs enough to ask questions: did he go fearfully into battle, that warrior, or did he scorn such feelings? Was he killed attacking, or defending? Was he a seasoned veteran, or a raw recruit? You think these questions are pointless and childish? Then you are probably an auctioneer at Bonham's, or the owner of the controversial lot. Homer knew better.

It is imagination that is dying out of the world; the people in those categories I listed a few paragraphs back are devoid of it, and the solipsism they practise is their epitaph. But the danger is that it might be ours, too. For imagination informs every culture; it is the blood of art, the mark of maturity, the guide-dog of ethics, the cornerstone of religion. (For the thousandth time: I am not a Christian. But I would regard myself as much less than fully human if I were not moved to the innermost chambers of my heart by the thought of the Eucharist, and it is imagination that provokes the thought.) If imagination dies, it will make the world a desert. But if it comes riding back in arms to claim its rightful kingdom, we shall hear no more of the selling and buying of human heads.

Commentary • ROBIN OAKLEY

Swinging public opinion

A Tory Home Secretary who goes to a party conference without a package of tough-sounding law and order measures can expect to be savaged. The audience wants the return of hanging. The Home Secretary cannot deliver and so must offer substitutes. This week's Commons debate on capital punishment is part of that buying-off process.

It will change nothing. The Commons has discussed the matter 16 times in 32 years, with the abolitionists firmly in the ascendant. Lately, MPs have voted against the death penalty by successive majorities of 152, 129, 119, 162, 145 and 112. July 1983 saw the majority against fall to 116 for terrorist murders and 81 for the murder of police officers and rise to 175 for murder in furtherance of theft.

Those who seek restoration argue that majorities against are falling. (For terrorist murders, figures were 152 against in 1974, 129 in 1975, and 116 in 1983). They say that the margin last time would have been lower if the vote had not involved putting the onus on a jury to declare that a murder was sufficiently "evil" to require capital punishment.

Conservatives then split 222-127 in favour of restoring the death penalty with Labour all against. A more right-wing intake at the general election should reduce the number of Tory abolitionists, but no more. Before the passion, however, some facts.

Concern to protect the police and prison officers is a major motivation in these debates. The last murder of a mainland prison officer on duty was in 1965, which does not suggest a greater tendency to murder by prisoners with nothing to lose. As for the police, those in favour of the death penalty argue that 11 were killed in 17 years before abolition and 26 in the 17 years following. Those against say the number of police murdered has remained virtually constant since 1957 at between nought and two a year.

The death penalty enthusiasts argue that the number of murders generally in the five years before abolition averaged 290 compared with 590 in the five years to 1983. But Douglas Hurd told MPs last year that the number of homicides per 100,000 of the population reached its peak of 1.96 in the 1960s and has declined since to 1.33. Murders rose sharply in some years when the death penalty existed and fell sharply in some years since it was abolished. There is no consistency.

Death penalty enthusiasts such as Sir Rhodes Boyson argue that 57 people have died since abolition because convicted murderers killed a second time on release. But of the 134 convicted murderers in 1955, for example, only nine were executed. Even in capital punishment days many convicted killers came out of prison.

Between 1975 and 1985, 73 per cent of murders were committed not by habitual criminals but within the family, half of them during a quarrel. Only 10 per cent of murders are committed in pursuit of other crime, fewer than ten years ago.

For many there are at least nine good reasons for not restoring the death penalty: Martin Goodwin, Patrick Meehan, Patrick Murphy, Geoffrey Mycock, Cooper and McMahon, John Preece, Albert Taylor and Mervyn Russell. All had murder convictions quashed or their sentences cancelled. Had they been hanged, the mistakes could not have been corrected.

But those of us with moral objections to the death penalty would have to reconsider if deterrence could be proved.

What is wrong with these debates is that they take place amid a morass of inconclusive statistics, they seek to reduce something complex to a simple solution that does not exist and they represent a diversion from the business of tackling the crimes which affect most people. Of the 3.8 million offences in Britain in 1986, 3 per cent involved violence and only 7 per cent of those cases endangered life. Just 0.2 per cent of crimes involved a threat to life.

One Home Secretary after another confesses that there is no conclusive difference in crime figures between countries that retain the death penalty and those which have abolished it. Murder *appears* to have gone up less than crime in general. But so many of the figures are fuzzy. Violence against the person fell partly because abortion was removed from that category. Many potential murder victims are now saved by improved medical skills. More crime is recorded.

How much will conviction rates fall if the death penalty is reintroduced? How do you measure the deterrence of higher penalties, especially now that a life sentence in some cases means at least 20 years?

The would-be restorers have to tell us what they would do about majority verdicts by juries, introduced since abolition. Would not a Home Secretary have to reprieve every murderer so convicted? And what about Northern Ireland, where terrorist murderers are convicted without a jury?

Hanging debates in the Commons are impressive political theatre. The danger is that they emphasize more than any other issue the distance between MPs and the public, which believes the death penalty deters not only murderers but many other violent criminals.

If the public is wrong, it must be shown to be wrong and convinced of it. That requires, surely, a dispassionate and painstaking examination of the statistics by the Home Affairs Select Committee. And it means that MPs who oppose capital punishment have got to go out and preach the case against it and not just salve their consciences with a single vote, hoping that electors will have forgotten it by the next election.

JUNE 6 **ON THIS DAY** 1820

Whatever misgivings the newly crowned King George IV and his ministers may have had about the return to this country of his estranged wife as Queen, the public was in no doubt how to welcome her.

HER MAJESTY'S ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND

Dover, Monday 2 o'clock pm "... the people of Dover ... were already flocking in vast numbers, and all dressed as if for a fete, in order to view the disembarkation of their Queen. The packet at about a quarter before one came close into the roads, but on account of the tide could not enter the harbour. Her Majesty ... determined to go to shore in an open boat, though the swell of the water was so considerable as to make it difficult to descend the ship's side. At length, however, her Majesty and suite were safely placed in the boat, which rapidly approached the shore, amidst the most enthusiastic cheerings from the countless multitude on the beach, the heights, and all the avenues leading to the principal hotel.

"At one o'clock her Majesty put her foot on British ground: the royal salute began to fire, and an universal shout of congratulation welcomed her arrival. For a few moments her countenance and manner bespoke considerable agitation ... but she soon recovered herself, and with a firm step, a composed manner, and a smiling but steady countenance, walked slowly along the crowded ranks of the principal inhabitants ... She appeared in good health, her blue eyes shining with peculiar lustre, but her cheeks had the appearance of a long intimacy with care and anxiety. She is not so much embonpoint as formerly, and her manner and figure seemed perfectly befitting her exalted station. She was dressed with great elegance.

As she moved along, the crowd gathered so fast, and pressed so closely around her, that she was compelled to take refuge in the York Hotel. Mr Wright, of the Ship Hotel, seeing that it would be impossible for her Majesty to reach his house on foot, immediately despatched a handsome open carriage to the York. Her Majesty, Lady Hamilton, and Alderman Wood ascended the carriage: the populace removed the horses and drew it themselves. A band of music preceded her Majety, and two large flags, bearing the inscription of "God save Queen Caroline", were carried by some of the principal tradesmen. A guard of honour was placed at the door of the hotel, but the people did not seem to relish their appearance, and the Queen observing to Alderman Wood that their presence appeared rather to produce an unpleasant and angry feeling, the worthy Alderman suggested the propriety of their going away. After playing "God save the King" the soldiers retired, and the populace seemed highly delighted. Her Majesty bowed several times with great grace and sweetness of manner to the happy assemblage. She then ... lay down to rest after the harassing fatigues of body and mind which she had undergone ..."

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LIBERALS AND DEMOCRATS

The choice the Social and Liberal Democrats have to make in voting for a leader to launch their more or less new party is between a safe pair of hands and what is vulgarly called charisma, which in political terms means eye-catching star quality. Mr Alan Beith offers the first, Mr Paddy Ashdown the second.

In terms of policy there is nothing as yet to choose between them. Here is no left-right quarrel comparable with the contest between Mr Neil Kinnock and Mr Tony Benn in the Labour Party. The choice is essentially one of personality. It is also, however, a choice between the known and the relatively unknown. Mr Beith has been the Liberal chief whip and an MP for 15 years; Mr Ashdown entered parliament only in 1983.

Yet policy does come into it. Whoever becomes the Democrats' leader will have a profound influence in the making of policy and the striking of the political attitudes by which the electorate will make its judgements. Moreover, subsumed in the contest are the remnants of the former competition for influence beween the Liberal Party element and the old SDP.

Mr Beith stands very much for the apostolic succession of the old Liberal tradition. His expressed regret at the adoption of the short trade description "Democrats" and his wish, even at this stage, to rescue the word Liberal for the party's short title, symbolize his attitude. He is making a special appeal to the strand of Liberal grassroots opinion traditionally represented by the Association of Liberal Councillors which used to cause Mr David Steel so much trouble.

Mr Ashdown, on the other hand, does not conceal his dislike of harking back. He is quite happy with the description Democrats, emphasising that since this is a new party looking to the future it naturally has a new description.

If Mr Beith, a man of scholarly background, stands for stability, Mr Ashdown, the former commando, offers exploration and, seeming to be more disengaged from the Liberal past, is probably more attractive to the mergerist Social Democratic element from which no candidate is expected. The former SDP leader, Mr Robert Maclennan is not expected to stand and court almost certain disaster.

Mr Ashdown emphasizes the future with the apparent implication that Mr Beith and the party as it now is are less geared up to meet it than he is himself. Mr Beith contests this. The party, he says, is already addressing the future in its policy researches. But by looking to the future Mr Asbdown is clearly setting himself apart from the old Liberal obsession with committees seeking new policies. He is rather embarking on a political adventure in search of something new to draw the electorate from the two big parties. It is an approach for which there is much to be said. There is a bedrock position of something around 10 per cent for any third party in British politics. In the recent local elections the Democrats held up comparatively well bearing in mind the damage done to them by the merger strife. But to become a real competitor for a share of power at a general election two conditions have to be fulfilled.

First, there must be deep discontent with the existing government. It is not too hard to envisage that possibility with a Tory government seeking a fourth term and suffering from the aftermath of its community charge and social services difficulties. But for a third party advance there needs also to be a public sense that the main opposition party is unacceptable for government. It is an open question whether Mr Kinnock will win good opinions by subduing the left and putting his party in closer touch with political reality or lose it by unleashing internecine conflict.

In the right circumstances, however, the advantages of a third party leader who can communicate effectively are striking. Lord Grimond, Mr Jeremy Thorpe and Mr Steel in turn all led the Liberals to political peaks, though not to a breakthrough, by their skill as communicators. A breakthrough for the Democrats will also need political acumen and the avoidance of giving hostages to fortune.

Mr Beith would be unlikely to do that. He is an experienced, shrewd and cautious politician. Yet the allegedly significant part he played in producing the "dead parrot" merger document with which Mr Steel and Mr Maclennan nearly wrecked merger is perhaps an adverse comment on his judgement. It may possibly also be taken as a comment on him that he did not more quickly condemn the anonymous personal attack on Mr Ashdown which issued from his camp at the outset of the campaign.

Mr Ashdown is not likely to fudge decisions or indulge in face-saving compromises. But his decisiveness could be a source of confusion as it was when he first appeared to opt for one position on defence and then for another. Rashness is also demonstrated by his over-ready talk at this stage of replacing Labour and being uninterested in coalition. That is not the talk of current political reality.

Still, he is the risk-taker's choice and nothing much is achieved in politics without risk. The new party does not have an easy decision. It could do with a leader who amalgamates the better qualities of both men. Political instincts rather than rational judgement will probably determine who is to be not only the leader of the new party but in a real sense also its creator.

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

The courts have been making wide use of community service orders as an alternative to custodial sentences, but the Home Office clearly feels that CSO's are still seen by magistrates and the public at large as the soft option. That is a subjective judgement: but no government — particularly not this one — wants to be regarded as soft on crime.

So there is good political logic behind the measures set out last week by the Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd, for stiffening the punitive impact of community service orders. The new proposals would require each offender to perform at least 21 hours of manual labour. This demand alone would appease the instinct which says that hard work is good for the soul. (In addition to this basic requirement the Home Office will also be considering exactly what it is that constitutes "hard work" for offenders for whom the prospect of physical labour is not at all daunting.) It is appropriate, too, that the punishment should more closely fit the crime. There is no good reason why those convicted of vandalism should not be required to clear up after them; or why those responsible for graffiti should not be made to remove it.

The chief virtue of the community service order when it was introduced in 1973 was that it brought back to British penal policy the principle of reparation: the idea that by his crime the offender automatically incurred a debt to society as a whole — which he had a duty to repay. He had done something negative to the common good; and he was to be made to do something positive to balance it. Alongside this are experimental schemes where the offender makes direct reparation to the victim.

In its new proposals the Home Office also wants to stiffen the conditions under which community service orders are served. Penalties would be laid down for reporting unfit for work through drink or drugs; repeated absentees would be taken back to court, and work would be monitored through weekly reports.

These are useful, if marginal, improvements which could have been introduced routinely without a public fanfare. Probably, they should have been.

The Home Office proposals are as yet only at the consultative stage. Even so, they have elicited protest from the probation service which is responsible for administering community service orders. These objections are based partly on the shaky grounds that they conjure up the image of labour gangs in ball and chain breaking stones at the roadside.

However undesirable — and retrogressive — this would be, it is not in the public interest that alternatives to prison should be dismissed as weak or soft. To underline the possible sentences available and to offer alternatives harsh enough to satisfy public feeling, which look and feel appropriate, and restore the concept of crime as a public debt, are valuable reforms. They would be especially so if they keep offenders out of the corrupting environment of a custodial sentence.

UNDER THE SOUTH POLE

Ever since Dutch venturers penetrated the Great Southern Ocean in the 17th Century, men have dreamt of hoards of gold buried beneath the South pole. The treasures of the present age are oil, coal and uranium — all of which are thought to lie under the ice. But the problem remains: how to get them out. The agreement on a new Antarctic mining convention goes a little way towards solving that problem.

Opinions differ on how soon large-scale mining operations might begin, even if they should begin at all. According to representatives of the governments involved in the negotiations, ice cap, freezing winds and six-month winters mean that a mining convention is less a necessary piece of legislation than a way of strengthening the Antarctic Treaty of 1961, which is due for renewal in 1991. Environmentalists, in contrast, fear that the world's "last great natural wilderness" will be polluted. They would like to see the whole continent preserved as a "world park", out of bounds to commercial activity.

The Antarctic Treaty, which closes the region to military activity but opens it to scientific endeavour, has been described as "a remarkable device, but a delicate one". Britain is one of the seven states which continue to have territorial claims to large parts of the continent: although these claims were suspended under the treaty. To achieve the treaty at all — to ensure that it is observed, and extend it by other conventions — has taken much difficult negotiation.

The mining convention, which has been six years in the making, will be a good way of strengthening it and preventing uncontrolled prospecting. By permitting mining in principle, but making it difficult in practice, the convention should help to prevent a free-for-all in prospecting. It sets strict conditions to be met before any application for mining is approved. There must also be a consensus among the signatories to the Antarctic Treaty. Both are potentially useful safeguards.

At present, economics militate against Antarctica becoming the scene of a great mineral rush. The present price of oil and most minerals on world markets is too low to convince anyone to invest in so risky a venture. World reserves of essential minerals will last for some time. In the foreseeable future, Antarctica will probably be left alone.

Eventually, however, prospecting for oil and minerals will no doubt take place. Given this inevitability, the most important safeguard included in the convention is that of "good housekeeping". Mining operators must guarantee restoration if they are deemed to have caused any environmental damage. The new arrangements continue to provide for strict monitoring.

At present the Antarctic is virtually untouched by direct pollution. This makes it a unique laboratory for the study of the world's atmosphere. Such a laboratory may be crucially important for future generations of scientists. It is irreplaceable, and must not be spoiled. To the extent that the new Antarctic mining convention commits a group of nations to making that less likely, it is a considerable achievement.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Vacant seats at the universities

From the Vice-Chancellor of Bristol University

Sir, The correspondence on the vacant Regius professorships (May 31) raises issues much wider than the domestic difficulties of Oxford University. In particular, Sir Philip Goodhart's letter illustrates some of the confusion of present higher education policy.

Sir Philip suggests that "the debacle at Oxford could actually strengthen the arguments for the new, more direct, form of university funding" which the Government he supports is pushing through Parliament. But he then goes on to compare Oxford unfavourably with Yale and Vassar, on the grounds that they do without public funding and raise substantial sums from their graduates.

The key difference between the British universities and the American private colleges like Yale and Vassar is that the former are required by Government to educate home (and EC) students for fees which the Government sets at a derisory level, and which it knows meet only a small fraction of the cost of that education.

The shortfall is made up by the inadequate UGC grant, which will in future be conditional on universities obeying detailed instructions which the Government will remit through the UGC's successor body.

If the nation wants universities to stand on their own financial feet, it must give them the power to charge realistic fees, and it must replace the UGC grant by a proper system of student support covering fees as well as living expenses. Universities would then be able, as are their American counterparts, to present potential benefactors with a prospect more attractive than merely relieving public expenditure, a prospect of enriching the education and the research which the nation needs but is evidently unwilling to pay for.

Your obedient servant,
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From the Vice-Chancellor of the City University

Sir, In the course of the debate in both Houses on the Education Reform Bill much time has been spent on the question of whether, in future, universities will be tempted to dismiss professors and appoint lecturers in their place in order to save money. It is known to the professionals as the Oxford East question, since it was first raised by the MP for that constituency.

There seems to be a misunderstanding about the practicability and financial effects of such moves. It could not be claimed in such circumstances that redundancy existed since a replacement was being made. Therefore, the outgoing post-holder would be entitled to expect the severence terms currently on offer. The Secretary of State for Education and Science has stated publicly that such terms will be available while restructuring continues, even under the conditions of contract that will arise when the Bill is enacted.

This means that, although there would be a saving on salary, the capital cost of severance would have to be set against the saving. Of course the details would vary from case to case, but if we take as a representative example a 55-year-old professor being replaced by a 30-year-old lecturer, the relative costs can be calculated. The lecturer would be on an incremental scale and the interest foregone on the capital cost of the severance would have to be taken into account at the appropriate rate.

The result of such a calculation shows that there would be no saving in the first 10 years if the lecturer stays as a lecturer. If he or she advances to become a professor by age 45 there is never any saving.

The conclusion must be that the "Oxford East" method is not an effective response to financial stringency. If it were applied it would simply weaken the academic strength of the institution, without compensating savings.

Yours faithfully,
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From Dr Rosamond McGuinness

Sir, Shortly before we graduated from Vassar in 1951 the President called the class together and suggested various ways in which we could make out our wills — to the college's advantage!

Yours sincerely,
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Tory policy and family values

From the Director of Familybase

Sir, Mrs Thatcher's recent speeches suggest she has failed to understand the nature of Christian commitment to the family.

Christianity is at root a collectivist religion, where the collective is the family. "Honour your father and mother" and other such teachings point to a definition of the family which involves the wider or extended family pattern, not the western nuclear model. When money flows between and among family members it has a key role to play in personal bonding.

Mrs Thatcher's economic policies have been individualistic in conception. Families are now to be treated as individuals for personal taxation purposes (Finance Bill 1988), and for local taxation (Local Government Finance Bill 1988). People are encouraged to see themselves as individuals rather than as part of family collectives, and this strikes at the root of family solidarity.

The attempt to deregulate Sunday trading (Shops Bill 1985) would have taken hundreds of thousands of mothers out to work and away from their children on the one day of the week when most families can be together. Removal of constraints on consumer credit (Finance Act 1983) without adequate public education has led to countless family break-ups.

Commitment to mobility, and failure to help depressed regions, has separated adult children from elderly parents in many families, making the kind of "honouring" the Bible has in mind more and more difficult. So, in the words of Jesus, we have "made void the word of God by our tradition" (Mark 7, xiii).

A Christian commitment to the family means that, when the interests of the family clash with the interests of the market, the family must come first. We now look forward to seeing the formation of a family policy to match family words.

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3 Hooper Street, Cambridge.

From Rabbi E. L. Gastwirth

Sir, A red triangle, the sign of an accident, has been given a human personality. It is to be called "Mr No", and is part of a pack that is being sent to 25,000 schools in a major publicity campaign to warn children against going with strangers.

These great publicity campaigns, warning against Aids, or against contact with strangers, are patches stuck on the leaking ship of a disintegrating morality. Hardly anyone seems at all interested in rebuilding the ship or renewing its timbers. The great "freedoms" won by a permissive society have torn great holes in the fabric of family life which have weakened its structures and it now leaks badly.

How can such a ship survive in the storms and pressures of life? As we rush desperately to seal the breaches made by the threat of Aids or child abuse, or teenage violence or the abduction and murder of children more and more desperate gaps appear. It is a losing battle, because society wants to retain its freedoms, its pornography, its lack of moral discipline, without having to pay the price for them.

Our society is drifting into a "condom" mentality in which it feels that modern medicine will always find the means to protect it from its own excesses. Is there no one, then, to say that excesses are wrong? The creators of the permissive society have won their battles and society is left to pay the bitter price.

Yours faithfully,
E. L. GASTWIRTH,
3 Falcon Court,
Park Street,
Salford, Greater Manchester.
May 31.

Community radio

From the Chairman of the Community Radio Association

Sir, Your recent report (May 20) of yet more "slippage" in the Government's plans for radio has already had the effect the Community Radio Association predicted: a fresh outbreak of illegal broadcasting. This new wave of radio piracy only compounds the frustration at the delay felt by aspiring community broadcasters who would dearly like to operate within a legal framework.

Moreover, the Government is now in the unhappy position of having to spend almost as much on anti-piracy measures as it would on a new, enabling radio authority.

There is general agreement that a sensible expansion of the British system is long overdue. But present policy is in danger of leading us towards the mess made by France and Italy. There, lack of constructive action led to mass piracy, the result of which has been chaos — and a reduction of choice for the listener.

One way out of the impasse is for the Government to signal its commitment, and find out if its proposals for radio actually will increase choice. It could, for example, ask the IBA to license some small or dedicated stations under existing legislation.

This could also test the ability of community radio to promote social cohesion, perhaps by encouraging inner-city and ethnic stations. We would then, at last, have real evidence of the value of and public enthusiasm for community radio.

Yours sincerely,
BEVAN JONES, Chairman,
Community Radio Association,
47 Brentham Way,
Ealing, W5.
June 2.

Across the court

From Mr James Spencer

Sir, In your leading article entitled "Judge and jury" (June 3) you express the view that to make juries feel safer one measure might be the rearrangement of the court in order to deprive the public gallery of a sight of the jury. I entirely agree but fear that it may not be so simple to implement.

One aspect of the Leeds football hooliganism case of which I have seen no mention is the design of the courtroom. The public seating faces directly across the court to the jury box. Not only is it possible for the jury to feel intimidated by stares, but it is also possible for the jury to be influenced during the evidence by facial and audible reaction from the public who are present and who may have a personal interest in the case being heard.

The Leeds court-house is a recent building of modern design. This aspect of the design is clearly unsuccessful but it is difficult to imagine how the layout could be altered in this new building. Perhaps in future courts construction, your suggestion of a return to the more traditional arrangement of having the public seating at the back of the room rather in its midst should be the purpose of the design.

Yours faithfully,
JAMES SPENCER,
11 King's Bench Walk,
Temple, EC4.
June 3.

Luck of the draw

From Mrs Katie White

Sir, Your leading article (May 27) on legal lotteries raises a number of interesting issues, not least of which is the fact that in recent years the enactment of any amending legislation concerning gaming has itself become a lottery.

In 1983 proposals were made to the Gaming Board for the establishment of a national bingo game to be played nightly for a prize of £50,000. Both the Gaming Board and the Home Office were supportive of the scheme but the Government were unable to find any room for the necessary legislation.

A move to introduce the Bill from the House of Lords, itself something of a gamble, was frustrated by the dissolution of Parliament because of the 1984 general election.

The fact that the Gaming (Bingo) Act 1988 finally reached the statute book was dependent on finding a friendly MP who was fortunate enough to win nineteenth place in the draw for private members' Bills.

All this was dependent on as many elements of luck as would be needed to win any proposed national lottery.

Yours faithfully,
K. WHITE, Director,
Bingo Business Services Ltd,
22a Albion Street,
Dunstable, Bedfordshire.
May 30.

Alternatives to prison

From Mr J. M. Macmillan

Sir, If an offender is given a prison sentence, there is a 75 per cent chance that he will re-offend. So said Mr John Patten this morning on Radio 4, talking about the stiffening up of the community service order programme, the implication being that prison necessarily brutalises and increases the likelihood of further offences.

Effective alternatives to custodial sentences are widely welcomed, just as the size of the prison population is widely deplored. But I wish Mr Patten, and so many others, would refrain from trotting out this condemnation of the prison system — a condemnation which has been repeated so often recently that it now seems to be accepted unchallenged as fact.

A survey has indeed established that 75 per cent of those receiving prison sentences go on to commit further offences after their release, but the conclusion drawn by Mr Patten and others from this statistic has, I suggest, been twisted round.

It is not that prison sentences increase the likelihood of re-offending but that the large majority of those imprisoned receive custodial sentences because they are likely to re-offend. It is perhaps a very slight encouragement that of those passing through the prison system only 75 per cent commit further crimes.

Yours faithfully,
J. M. MACMILLAN,
Curling Tye Cottage,
Woodham Walter,
Maldon,
Essex.
May 31.

Widow's mite

From Mr P. F. Johnston

Sir, Your readers who greet, with ecstatic joy, every communication from Mr Baker, may have overlooked the real significance of Statutory Instrument 1988 no 816 (The Teachers' Superannuation Provisions, no 2) which comes into force today (May 31), albeit with one unusual provision.

In this statutory instrument, I read not only of the sensible provision which enables teachers' pensions to be paid to widowers but, under regulation 7, a remarkable new provision which now provides that "widows of a polygamous marriage are now jointly entitled to any widow's pension that becomes payable".

As one struggling to provide for my potential widow, I am intrigued that Mr Baker should be so concerned about what must remain as a purely hypothetical case for the majority of us.

Yours faithfully,
PHILIP F. JOHNSTON
(Headmaster),
Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School,
Blackburn, Lancashire.

PMs and prelates

From Dr Sheridan Gilley

Sir, Your reviewer John Grigg (June 2) assigns to Churchill the remark that "he was not a pillar of the Church but a buttress — he supported it from the outside".

The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations attributes a very similar statement to an earlier latitudinarian Prime Minister, Lord Melbourne, with his other famous ecclesiastical dicta, "Damn it all, another Bishop dead — I verily believe they die to vex me", and "Things have come to a pretty pass when religion is allowed to invade the sphere of private life".

Yours sincerely,
SHERIDAN GILLEY,
University of Durham,
Department of Theology,
Abbey House,
Palace Green,
Durham.
June 2.

Pole position

From Mr R. W. Buckley

Sir, Meeting up with your old car is not always a pleasurable experience (letters, May 31).

In the 1983 general election I was the Conservative candidate for Neath in South Wales. One day I canvassed a house which had in its drive a car I had sold in London a year or so before.

The new owner, far from being impressed by what I thought was an amazing coincidence, immediately declared that this was as good a reason as any for voting Labour.

Yours faithfully,
R. W. BUCKLEY,
19 Corringham Road,
Wembley Park, Middlesex.
June 1.

From Mr John Rogers, QC

Sir, My old housemaster liked to tell how, having sold his Morris 8 on the last day of the summer term, 1948, he drove his "new" Rover down to Swanage the next day and then from his hotel to the beach. That evening he drove back to his hotel and only on arrival did he realise he was at the wheel of his old car.

He returned to the beach and found his "new" car in the space adjoining the one from which he had removed the Morris. With great embarrassment, he handed the Morris back to the new owner, together with a set of keys he had overlooked.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN ROGERS,
Wrotham House Cottage,
Wrotham, Kent.
May 31.

European unions

From the General Secretary of the International Metalworkers' Federation

Sir, You began your leader (May 30) with the statement that "the trade union organizations of Europe have a history of hostility towards the European Community". This is nonsense. Apart from the TUC of the 1970s and today only the declining communist union in France, the rest of the European trade union movement has endorsed and worked with the EEC for many years.

Even within the TUC, I would say that the more progressive and forward-looking unions were European-minded at a time when such policies were not fashionable in the British labour movement.

You are right to say there is a growing interest amongst trade unions in 1992 and all it entails. National unions observe the increasing internationalization of production, trade and finance and are now looking for trans-frontier ways of ensuring that the internal market of Europe has a social dimension.

It is European law, to be obeyed by all EEC states and all companies, that is being used to call into being the single market. The unions see no reason why European law cannot oblige the state and companies to treat workers as partners with clear rights common and applicable throughout Europe.

If companies are to be encouraged to operate as Euro-entities, then it is clearly unfair for workers and their unions to be prevented from doing the same.

Yours truly,
HERMAN REBHAN,
General Secretary,
International Metalworkers' Federation,
54 bis Route des Acacias,
CH-1227 Geneva,
Switzerland.
May 31.

Falklands GNP

From Mr Peter Rein

Your Defence Correspondent reported (May 25) the astonishing fact that last year the island's gross national product rose from £9.89 million to £30.7 million, a truly staggering increase of 210.4 per cent.

In view of this sudden but doubtlessly well-earned prosperity, will it now be possible for the British tax-payer to be relieved of some of the heavy burden of the defence costs of the Falklands?

Yours faithfully,
PETER P. H. REIN,
Peter Rein Associates,
4 Borough View,
Torrington, Devon.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

June 4: The Prince Edward left Heathrow Airport, London this morning in a Canadian Forces Challenger 601 aircraft for Canada where His Royal Highness will visit Ottawa, Toronto and Newfoundland.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sean O'Dwyer, Captain William McLean and Captain Timothy Justice are in attendance.

June 5: The Princess Royal, President, Federation Equestre Internationale, attended a fund raising luncheon in aid of the British Equestrian Olympic Fund and afterwards viewed the Nations Cup Competition at Hickstead, West Sussex.

Her Royal Highness, attended by Mrs Malcolm Wallace, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE

June 5: The Prince of Wales, President of the International Council of United World Colleges, was represented by Sir Ian Gourlay at the Memorial Service for Rear-Admiral Desmond Hoare which was held at Atlantic College, St Donat's Castle, Llantwit Major, South Glamorgan this morning.

June 4: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President of the Girl Guides Association, this afternoon opened the City of Dundee Girl Guides Outdoor Centre at Newbigging, Perthshire.

The Lady Glenconner was in attendance.

June 5: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester was present this afternoon at the Annual Normandy Campaign Commemoration Service in the Parish Church of All Hallows, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, and took the Salute at the subsequent Parade.

Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Peter Carlton Jones was christened Timothy Peter on Sunday, June 5, at St Mary's Church, Wimbledon, by Canon Gerald Parrott. The godparents are Mr Nicholas Diemont, Mr Christopher Rose, Mrs John Lawrence and Mrs Gerald Oury.

Birthdays today

Sir Derek Alun-Jones, company director, 55; Sir Isaiah Berlin, OM, former president, British Academy, 79; Professor B. Bleaney, physicist, 73; Mr Bjorn Borg, tennis player, 32; Lord Carrington, CH, 69; Dame Ninette de Valois, CH, founder, Royal Ballet, 90; Mr Mike Gatting, cricketer, 31; Mr Iain Hamilton, composer, 66; Professor R.A. Humphreys, Latin-American historian, 81; Lord Inchyra, 88; Mr J. Kay-Mouat, President of the States, Alderney, 55; Lord Kings Norton, 86; Mr Willie-John McBride, rugby player, 48; Mr Justice McNeill, 66; the Marquess of Milford Haven, 27; Sir Douglas Morpeth, chartered accountant, 64; Sir Bryan Nicholson, chairman, Post Office, 56; Lord Nugent of Guildford, 81; Air Marshal Sir Charles Pringle, 69; Dr Ruth Sanger, haematologist, 70; Lord Stodart of Leaston, 72; Mr Klaus Tennstedt, conductor, 62; Miss Billie Whitelaw, actress, 56.

King's College School, Wimbledon

The following elections have been made for September 1988: **Major Scholarships:** Andre Shlimon (Homefield); Tapesh Pakrashi (King's College Junior School: Classic Award). **Scholars:** Duncan Bell (Shrewsbury House); Iain Ross (Shrewsbury House); Robert Hills (Wallop and KCS); Bhashkar Mukherjee (KCJS); Amir Ghodse (KCJS); David Mumford (KCJS). **Exhibitioners:** Alastair Law (KCJS); Matthew Shoults (KCJS); Sanjoy Chattopadhyay (KCJS); Timothy Flower (KCJS). **Music Scholars:** Julian Cowking (KJCS); Patrick Parker (KCJS). **Junior Scholars:** Andrew King (Wimbledon Common Prep); Thomas Morton (St James's, Twickenham); Stephen Nichols (St Andrew's and St Mark's, Surbiton); Yohei Yamauchi (Westbury House House, New Malden).

St George's School, Ascot

The Board of Governors of St George's School, Ascot, has appointed Mrs Anthea M. Griggs, presently with Harrogate Ladies' College, to be Headmistress from January 1989, in succession to Mrs Judith M. Goodland, on her appointment as Headmistress of Wycombe Abbey.

Today's royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh will open the Visitor's Centre at Sellafield at 10.00; will inaugurate the Morecambe Gas Field and Terminal at Barrow in Furness and will visit the British Gas Platform in Morecambe Bay at 2.00.

The Prince of Wales, President of the Prince's Trust, accompanied by the Princess of Wales, will attend a rock concert at the Albert Hall at 7.20 in aid of the trust; and a reception at the Hilton International Kensington at 10.40.

The Duchess of York will visit the Painshill Park Trust, Esher, Surrey, at 11.20.

The Princess Royal will attend a dinner at the Institute of Directors, Pall Mall, at 7.30.

Princess Margaret, President of the Royal Ballet, will attend a Royal Gala Night of Ballet, a celebration of the ninetieth birthday of Dame Ninette de Valois, at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, at 7.20 in aid of the Royal Ballet School Appeal.

Princess Alexandra will attend a mid-summer dinner and musical evening at the Mansion House at 7.15 in aid of the British Association of Cancer United Patients (BACUP).

Royal Marines Beating Retreat

The massed bands of the Royal Marines will Beat Retreat on Horse Guards Parade on June 7, 8 and 9.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh, Captain General of the Royal Marines, will be present on June 9.

Seats are available. Telephone 01-218 3955 or usual ticket agents.

National Association of Almshouses

The annual general meeting of the National Association of Almshouses was held in Goldsmiths' Hall, London, on Tuesday, May 31, 1988. Lady Benson was in the Chair. The Chief Charity Commissioner, Mr Robin Guthrie, addressed the meeting.

St Paul's Girls' School League

The annual meeting of St Paul's Girls' School League, followed by supper, will be held on Friday July 8. All old girls are welcome and are cordially invited also to the school's annual athletics event in the afternoon. Further details may be obtained from the league secretary at the school.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.M.F. Allen
and Miss A. Snead-Cox

The engagement is announced between Michael, younger son of Mrs K.W. Robinson, of Belfast, Northern Ireland, and Anne, only daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel R.J.F. Snead-Cox, and Mrs E.M. Snead-Cox, of Broxwood, Herefordshire.

Mr H.R. Barge
and Miss A.S.G. Newall

The engagement is announced between Henry, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Ronald M. Barge, of Whistler's Hill, Rhu, Dunbartonshire, and Amanda, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Stephen P. Newall, of Rowaleyn, Rhu, Dunbartonshire.

Mr G.A. Burke
and Miss M.C. Bromley

The engagement is announced between Gary Anthony, son of Mr and Mrs William Burke, of Chapel Street, London, SW1, and Mary Clare, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Bromley, of Hurst, Berkshire.

Mr H.B. Day
and Miss M.L. Gillard

The engagement is announced between Hugo, son of Mr and Mrs Simon Day, of Keaton, Devonshire, and Maxine Lind, daughter of Mr John Gillard, Tauranga, New Zealand, and Mrs Valmai Hepenstall, Tauranga, New Zealand.

Mr D.S.L. Fletcher
and Miss L.D.M. Townsend

The engagement is announced between David Fletcher, of Moseley, Birmingham, son of the late Captain E.W. Fletcher and of Mrs Fletcher, of St Martin, Jersey, and Lindsey Townsend, of Piper's Bench, Thurlestone, daughter of Mr and Mrs W.P. Townsend, of Dorridge, West Midlands.

Clifford Longley

When church and state differ

The relationship between church and state remains one of the most difficult controversies of public life, as recent events have proved once more. It has been a constant theme of the administration of Mrs Margaret Thatcher, by all accounts the most theologically minded Prime Minister this century, and her recent actions have made the issue even more prominent. But it is a controversy which refuses to settle into manageable shape: for even the terms of the argument are part of the disagreement.

No-one can really suggest, for instance, that the cleavage between the spiritual and temporal realms should be absolute – the view sometimes naively summed up by saying that the church should "stay in the sanctuary".

Mrs Thatcher herself certainly believes no such thing. And a constitution which puts two dozen bishops in the upper chamber of the legislature, bishops the Prime Minister helps to appoint, gives no warrant for such a radical separation either. No-one suggests, on the other hand, that the church has any inspired means of knowing what should be the present level of the public sector borrowing requirement, for instance.

The argument falls within these two extremes, and it is not even clear whom the argument is between. "The church" of popular or political speech seems to mean the senior clergy, bishops especially, but they would be the first to disown such an exclusive label. Mrs Thatcher is as much a member of the Church of England as the Bishop of Gloucester, the latest prelate to challenge her publicly; and he would not deny it. One of the major complications, therefore, is that the controversy is only partly between the church and the government; it is also partly an argument within the church itself.

The substance of the argument is about the practical application of Christian teaching in the organization of national affairs, particularly social and economic policy. But there are not even common ground rules as to the theoretical basis of the debate. It is easy to quote the Bible, easiest if one is fairly ignorant of it as a whole; but for almost every text in Scripture which can be offered on one side, there will be another saying the opposite, and a third mocking the conceit of the whole exercise.

Thus Mr Kinnock's "more Christian than you" gibe at the Prime Minister last month founders on the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector (traditionally, the "publican".) The Pharisee stood up boldly and thanked God that he was not grasping and unjust, unlike the tax collector he saw hiding at the back of the temple. The other simply prayed "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." But he had God's approval; the Pharisee did not, and Mr Kinnock was unwittingly bracketing himself with the Pharisee.

But Mrs Thatcher's boast in reply that she voluntarily relinquishes part of her salary sounds like the advertisement of a good deed to gain public approval: which may sound disapproving, but why else did she do it? Of such people Jesus coldly remarked "They have had their reward," adding that the doing of good works and the giving of alms should be so little publicised that even the right hand should not know what the left hand is going.

The Bible has a way of biting the hand that quotes it, and all politicians must stand under the judgement of the Magnificat: "He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree." But the daily political debate necessarily involves countless small acts of pride, and humble politicians just do not get elected. The meek may be otherwise blessed, but they do not perform well at the Dispatch Box.

The Bible is not useful as a text book of economics either. Selling everything to give to the poor is not exactly a text in favour of wealth creation; nor is paying the labourer the same for one hour as others received for a whole day, socialism: it is more a text for "management's right to manage" – badly, perhaps.

So it might seem safer to rely on three other sources from which religious teaching may be drawn: tradition, what the church has consistently said down the ages; the *sensus fidelium*, the agreed mind of the church today; and theology, what the religious experts have to say.

But if it is impossible to find in the Christian tradition evidence in support of something as fundamental as democracy, there is not much point in searching it for clues concerning the right balance of powers between national government and local education authorities, on which churchmen have recently stated strong views. The *sensus fidelium*, on the other hand, is a neat theory but a dangerous concept in practice. If articles of faith cannot be decided by majority votes – and no-one in the church thinks they can be – then why should the application of the faith in specific cases be so decided? What a majority of members of the General Synod of the Church of England vote for cannot have much more authority than a straw poll of a rather peculiar sample of the total population. It might or might not be sensible; but it certainly cannot claim to be the Word of God.

Theologians, on the other hand, tend to think they really do know some of the answers. The problem in Britain is that the development of social theology is weak and neglected, and what passes for it is often not much more than a sprinkling of holy water over what are essentially secular political prejudices. The famous 1985 report *Faith in the City*, for instance, was written by an Archbishop's Commission which was emphatically weighted towards sociology, with hardly a theologian in sight; and the report itself was at its least convincing in its theological section (as the Church of England has subsequently come to realise).

When an earlier commission was set up to write the report *The Church and the Bomb* the Church of England invited onto it a distinguished Roman Catholic moral theologian to give it theological weight; when a later committee was asked to study "values in British society" the Church of England borrowed a Jesuit for the same purpose. These were implicit admissions of weakness in this area of Anglican theology. And this strongly suggests that the Church of England is not quite at home even on its own territory, and needs to be very much more careful than it has been so far in challenging Mrs Thatcher's theology as incompetent. It certainly has no right to patronise her.

Nature notes

Blackcap song is falling off as the males start helping to feed the young in their flimsy nest, which is often hidden in a twist of honeysuckle.

Linnet pairs bring food for their young from far away, twittering sweetly as they fly, and swoop down together on the gorse or bramble bush where the nest is concealed. The male waits on a tall spray while the female goes in, then he drops down and delivers his own beakful.

Young green woodpeckers in their nest-hole are fed by their parents on regurgitated ants; they can recognise the scratching sound of the parents' feet as they land, and lift their mouths at once.

Everywhere the leaves are a rich green, and innumerable summer flowers are opening. Ox-eye daisies are thick in the grass, in the hedges the first dog-roses are out – large pink flowers with white and yellow centres. On waste land there are the sleader, pale green spires of wild mignonettes and clumps of yellow wall rocket, like a bushy form of charlock. The deep purple flowers of hedge woundwort are already tall in the ditches; hop trefoil and bird's foot trefoil spread along the ground where the wild strawberries are turning to fruit.

DJM



Natalia Chuter, aged six, Asuka Leslie, seven, and Orlanda Briers, five, were among 50 boys and girls – pupils of the London Suzuki Group – who gave a concert/demonstration in the Purcell Room, South Bank, London yesterday, the last day of the Martini Cellothon 88, Julian Lloyd Webber's three day cello festival (Photograph: Ros Drinkwater).

Marriages

Major D. Miller
and Miss E.A.S. Studdert

A service of blessing was held on Saturday at St Swithun's upon Kingsgate, Winchester, after the marriage of Major David Miller, son of the late Mr L.R. and Lady Patricia Miller, to Miss E.A.C. Studdert, daughter of the late Commander and Mrs M.E.P. Studdert. The Rev Michael Benton officiated.

Mr J.E.G. Younger
and Miss J.V. Wootton

The Duke and Duchess of York attended the marriage which took place on Saturday at the Church of St John the Baptist, Pilton, Somerset, of Mr James Younger, eldest son of the Hon George Younger, MP, and Mrs Younger, of Easter Leckie, Gargunnock, Stirling, to Miss Jennie Wootton, daughter of Mr and Mrs William Wootton, of Chanters House, Pilton. The Right Rev J.M. Bickersteth and the Rev Gordon Miller officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Mary Bonner Baker, Claire Devas, Rebecca Price, Rollo Price, Freddi Devas and Miss Vivien Sylvester. Mr Charles Noble was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent in Canada.

Mr R.C. Stamp
and Miss S.C. Lester

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Nicholas, Kenilworth, Warwickshire, of Mr Robbie Stamp, elder son of the Hon Colin and Dr Gillian Stamp, of Barnes, London, to Miss Susan Lester, daughter of the late Mr John F. Lester and of Mrs John H. Carter, of Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. The Right Rev Stephen Verney officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Mr John H. Carter, was attended by Miss Caroline Carter and Miss Alison Carter. Mr Jonathan Stamp was best man.

A reception was held at Packington Hall, Meriden, West Midlands, and the honeymoon will be spent in Mauritius.

Mr N.A. Evans
and Miss P.C. Bignell

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 4, 1988, at St Giles's Church, Tottenhoe, between Mr Neil Alan Evans, younger son of Mr and Mrs A.S. Evans, of Billericay, Essex, and Miss Paula Caroline Bignell, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D.R. Bignell, of Dunstable, Bedfordshire. A reception was held afterwards at Harpenden Moat House, Harpenden, Hertfordshire. The honeymoon couple will visit Hong Kong Thailand and Paket.

Mr S.R. Alsop
and Miss H.G. Egleston

The marriage took place on Saturday in the Chapel of St Cross, Winchester, of Mr Simon Richard Alsop, only son of Mr and Mrs B.G.P. Alsop, of Ashtead, Surrey, to Miss Harriet Gilian Egleston, younger daughter of Mr K.M. and Lady Clarissa Egleston, of Weston Patrick, Hampshire. Canon A.C.B. Deedes officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Sophia de Haan, Emma Wood-Gaiger, Nicolas de Haan and Michael Thomas Egleston-Psiris. Mr John P. Heath was best man.

A reception was held at Northington Down, Hampshire, and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr A.R. Rawlin
and Miss M. Brassey

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Bartholomew's, Greens Norton, Northamptonshire, of Mr Andrew Robinson Rawlin, eldest son of Dr and Mrs Michael Rawlin, of North Anston, Sheffield, Yorkshire, to Miss Miranda Brassey, eldest daughter of the Hon Thomas and Mrs Brassey, of Duncote, Towcester, Northamptonshire. The Rev C.E.M. Roderick officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by the Hon Zara Brassey, the Hon Chloe Brassey, James Robinson and Miss Harriet Sellick. Mr Christopher Rawlin was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Captain S.R.B. Merton
and Miss S.M. Cox

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Peter and St Paul, Broadwell, Lechlade, of Captain Simon Merton, The Royal Hussars, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Robin Merton, of Winchester, and Miss Serena Cox, younger daughter of Brigadier and Mrs Charles Cox, of Broadwell House. The Rev W.L. Grazebrook officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Camilla Wilson, Jessica Arthur, Emma Tuck, Katie Tuck, George Duckworth, Archie Duckworth and Thomas Sinclair. Mr Mark Rogers was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr R.P. Taylor
and Miss V.R. Clay

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Mary and St Michael, Trumpington, Cambridgeshire, of Mr Robin Taylor, youngest son of the late Mr Richard Taylor and of Mrs Taylor, of Grange Farm, Bourn, Cambridgeshire, to Miss Virginia Clay, elder daughter of Sir Richard and Lady Clay, of de Freville Avenue, Cambridge. The Rev D. Maddox officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Alicia Taylor and Miss Catherine Clay. Mr Anthony Taylor was best man.

A reception was held at the Garden House Hotel, Cambridge, and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J.B.H. Goble
and Mrs Y.P.J. Coke-Wallis

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 4, in Somerset, of Mr James Goble and Mrs Yvonne Coke-Wallis (née Stone).

Mr J.H.L. Norton
and Miss G.L. Milburn

The marriage took place on June 4, at the Church of St John the Baptist, Colerne, Wiltshire, of Mr James Norton, younger son of Mr and Mrs Petre Norton, of Coin, Malaga, Spain, to Miss Gilly Milburn, elder daughter of the late Mr S.P. Milburn and Mrs Irene Milburn, of Boscobel Place, London, SW1. The Rev Roger Clifton officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Mr Maurice Leggett, was attended by Miss Beatrice Ferraro di Ventimilia, Kate Ruck Keene, Nicky Azarm and Pandora McCormick. Mr Toby Weller-Poley was best man.

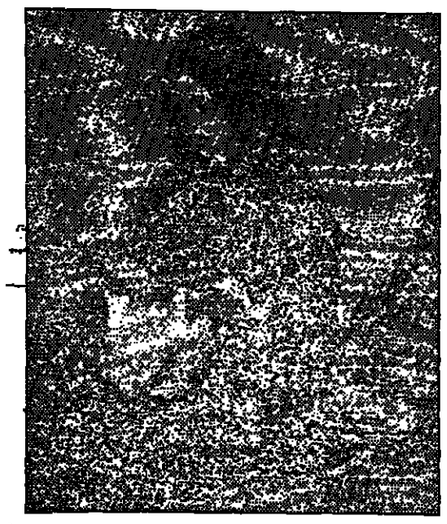
Mr R.D. Bramley
and Miss C.V. Bridgeman

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 4, at St Peter's Church, Winchester, of Mr Roger D. Bramley, only son of the late Mr Richard Bramley and of Mrs Richard Bramley, of Malmesbury, and Miss Celestine V. Bridgeman, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs R.L.O. Bridgeman, of Castelnau. Canon Nicholas France officiated, assisted by the Rev Nicolas Stacey.

The bride was given away by Mr Michael Taylor and attended by the Hon Esmond Bridgeman and the Hon Orlando Bridgeman. Mr Tim Horley was best man.

The reception was given at Watley House by Viscount and Viscountess Bridgeman. The honeymoon will be spent abroad.

PICK OF THE WEEK AT CHRISTIE'S



Gwen John: The Precious Book

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THIS IS ONE OF A SERIES of ten paintings by Gwen John known as *The Convalescent*. All the pictures in the series portray the same model, who posed for the artist in Meudon, near Paris, between 1916 and 1926. It was during this period that Gwen John was Rodin's mistress and model. She died in poverty in France in 1939.

The picture was exhibited in Gwen John's only 'one-man-show' in London in 1926, when it was hailed in *Country Life* as 'that gem called "the Precious Book", unsurpassed for tenderness and beauty'. It will be the highlight of the sale of British and Irish Modernist Paintings, Watercolours, Drawings and Sculpture at Christie's, King Street on Friday, 10 June at 10.30a.m.

For any further information about this and other sales in the next week, please telephone (01) 839 9060.

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OBITUARY

SIR D. R. NICHOLLS

Australia's first aborigine governor

Sir Douglas Ralph Nicholls, KCVO, OBE, the first aborigine to become the governor of an Australian state, died on June 4 at the age of 81. He was also a prominent Christian mission pastor.

When the Progressive Labour government in South Australia chose him to become the Queen's representative in 1976 there was an outcry among the more conservative-minded in Adelaide but Nicholls only served four months of what was to be a five year term, resigning on the grounds of ill-health in April 1977.

Nicholls, who was a full blooded aborigine and had been brought up in the Yoti Yoti tribal settlement, succeeded Sir Mark Oliphant, the eminent Australian scientist, as governor.

Director of the Aborigines' Advancement League from 1969 to 1976, Nicholls had also been the first aborigine to be so honoured when he received a knighthood in 1972.

Nicholls was regarded as a man of substance who worked for the advancement of aborigines' social rights.

He personally admitted there might be an element of "tokenism" in his getting the largely ceremonial post but, answering black aboriginal "activists", claimed it would also "make it easier for other aborigines."

Many South Australians at the time welcomed the choice; there was controversy, however, over one local television station interview with the governor-designate.

The newsman had insisted on knowing whether Nicholls's wife, also an aborigine, would feel at ease in the state capital's high society. The future governor ordered the television reporter out of his house.

The station subsequently apologized for racist remarks and, after the apology, Nicholls said he was glad things had been cleared up publicly.

Thousands of people lined the streets to Government House when in December 1976 he was sworn in.

It was through sport that Nicholls had managed to make his way, for he had left school aged eight unable to read or write. He fought as a welterweight boxer, was an athlete and also the first black to achieve prominence in Australian football.

"Sport gave me the money to go to night school and the opportunity to find God," he once said.

He worked for a time as a municipal gardener, but, after a while as a lay preacher, was ordained as a pastor of the Church of Christ Aboriginal Mission in 1945.

Both he and his wife, Gladys, who was also active in the aborigines' cause, had welfare institutions in Melbourne named after them.

He is survived by one son and a daughter.

CONCHITA de OLIVARES

H. P. writes:

Conchita de Olivares, Marquesa de Barzanallana, whose death occurred in Madrid last month, was a well-known and highly colourful character in Madrid's society from the 1930s until her last illness.

Her connections with the diplomatic, intellectual and artistic worlds were combined with a dynamic personality and style of life. This made her a figure of notable individuality.

Born in Madrid in 1909, Conchita was educated – as befitted the daughter of a diplomat – by nuns in England. Her temperament ensured that the English she perfected there, and while her father was minister counsellor of the Spanish Embassy in London, was spoken with great rapidity and idiomatic verve.

Although small and slim, she was a person of formidable courage in the defence of her friends. A French député, being questioned by the Gestapo in Berlin in the summer of 1939, had the good fortune to have a fearless Spanish friend marching into the police headquarters and successfully demanding his release within the hour.

Viscount Eccles recounts in his collection *By Safe Hands* an equally impressive incident at a *corrida* in 1940. A large crowd of Falangists took offence at his being seated during the playing, for German visitors, of the German national anthem.

Conchita "30, pretty and very fierce" rounded on them like a tigress until the police came and he was smuggled out.

She married Alfonso de Olivares, one of the sons of the Conde de Artaza. Olivares was an avant-garde painter in Paris, coming under Picasso's influence.

She was widowed during the Civil War, while still in her 20s and with infant twin daughters; and she remained a widow by choice until the end of her days.

She dressed with great elegance and never more so than at the Seville fair. Looking years younger than her age, she lived her life at full, and sometimes impetuous, tilt.

She was a well-known breeder of fighting bulls, an unusual activity for a woman of her time in Spain.

A nationalist, in the best sense of the word and to her fingertips, she communicated to her English friends her love of Spain and all things Spanish with a rare zest. She was thus a very special, albeit informal, ambassador for her country.

She is survived by her two daughters.

SIR BEROWALD INNES

Lieut-Col. Sir Berowald Innes, Bt, who has died aged 80, commanded the 7th Bn Seaforth Highlanders at the crossing of the Rhine in 1945. He ended his military career as Officer Commanding Troops in Uganda.

An active man who in his youth had ridden in point-to-points, he was latterly rendered almost immobile by the results of war wounds. He taught himself needlepoint and weaving, and his work was in demand, particularly for church decoration.

Ronald Gordon Berowald Innes, sixteenth baronet, of Balvenie – he succeeded Sir Walter James Innes, a kinsman, in 1978 – was the son of a Royal Navy captain and of the daughter of Colonel J.F. Forbes of Rothiemay. He was educated at Harrow and Camberley and was commissioned in the Seaforths in 1927.

In the Second World War he was seriously wounded in Sicily but had recovered to take command of the 7th battalion for the last stages of the war. He became an OBE in 1943.

After the war he held staff appointments before having the satisfaction of going back to command men, in Uganda, where he went as commander of the 4th (Uganda) Bn King's African Rifles.

He retired from Uganda to farm in Kenya. After 17 years his health forced him to return to Britain.

As befitted a relative of the Lord Lyon King of Arms (the late Sir Thomas Innes of Learney), Sir Berowald decided to use his needlework skill to produce heraldic designs. The detail often required magnifying aids.

His first wife died in Kenya in 1958. In 1961 he married Christian Watson, who survives him with two sons and a daughter of the first marriage.

MR MAURICE ALLEN

Mr A. R. G. Raeburn writes:

Your obituary on Maurice Allen (May 27) concentrated on his work at the Bank of England. May a former pupil add a few lines about the teacher at Balliol?

Maurice Allen's reputation was that of a formidable analytical intellect, but also of a reluctance to put pen to paper. He fully lived up to both reputations, though he must have moderated the latter during his career at the International Monetary Fund and at the Bank.

Always sparing of words, much of what he did say in tutorials initially passed clean over one's head. And yet, Maurice had that rare gift of being an educator in the literal sense of the word, of drawing out a pupil's latent gifts and directing them towards the rigorous analysis of concepts.

Allen was then, and remained a kindly, patient, courteous and very private man.

Just over a year ago he was persuaded to return to Oxford to cast his vote in the election for a new Chancellor. Though already in very poor health, his spirit and intellect remained undimmed and he could not resist the challenge of a choice between two of his former pupils at Balliol.

Memorial service

Dr Ethel Lindgren-Utsi

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Dr Ethel Lindgren-Utsi was held on Saturday in the Chapel at Churchill College, Cambridge. The Rev Michael Allen officiated. Dame Anne Warburton, President of Lucy Cavendish College, read the lesson. Mr Arthur Illes read *Facts of the Faith* by Canon Henry Scott Holland and Dr Marie Lawrence, Vice-President of Lucy Cavendish College, gave an address. Miss Ann Radzinowicz, flute, played *Morceau de Concours* by Fauré.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Velasquez, painter, Seville, 1599; Pierre Corneille, dramatist, Rouen, 1606; Aleksandr Pushkin, writer, Moscow, 1799; Robert Falcon Scott, Antarctic explorer, Devonport, 1868; Thomas Mann, novelist, Lübeck, Germany, 1875.

DEATHS: Patrick Henry, American statesman, Red Hill, Charlotte County, Virginia, 1799; Henry Grattan, Irish patriot, London, 1820; Camillo Benso, Count Cavour, Piedmontese statesman, Turin, 1861; Sir John Macdonald, prime minister of Canada 1867-73, 1878-91, Ottawa, 1891.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

"Whether it be good, or whether it be evil, we will obey the voice of the Lord our God, to whom we send thee, that it may be well with us." Jeremiah 42 : 6

BIRTHS

AKASS - On May 29th 1988, to Sue (née Studholme) and Peter, a son, Thomas James Ernest.

BAXTER - On June 3rd 1988, in Hong Kong, to Cally and Angus, a daughter, Emma Louise Elliot, a sister for Harriet.

BROOKES - On May 19th, 1988 to Christine and Roger, a son, Mark Roger.

BULLOCK - On June 3rd, 1988 at St. Luke's, Guildford, to Monica (nee Herrington) and Matthew, twin daughters, Hannah Louise and Rebecca Claire, sisters for Alexander James.

CAMERON - On May 22nd in New York, to Angus and Patricia, a daughter, Katherine Morgan.

CONNICK - On June 3rd, to Denise (née Leigh) and David, a son, Ashley Robert.

EVANS - On June 1st 1988, at Guy's, to Georgina (née Dowse) and Michael, a son Oliver a brother for Dominic.

FOLLIOTT VAUGHAN - On May 18th, 1988, to Prue (née Clarke) and John, a daughter, Emily Elizabeth.

GUIVER - On June 1st, 1988, to Diana (née Mackey) and Mark, a son, Henry Anthony Toby, a brother for Edward.

HARRIS - (See Wright).

HENRY - On May 31st, at St. Thomas' Hospital, to Rebecca (née Harding) and James, a son, Samuel.

JOHNSON - On June 2nd 1988, to Lea (née Baker) and David, a son, Robert David.

LAWLER - On June 3rd, 1988, at St. James' University Hospital, Leeds, to Sallie (née Day) and Simon, a son Toby William, a brother for Rupert.

LLOYD JONES - On June 2nd, 1988, to Marie Louise (née Ludlow) and David, a daughter, Jessica Louise.

LOYD - On May 31st, to Kirsten and Thomas, a daughter, Camilla.

MACKINTOSH - On June 3rd, in Edinburgh, to Marion and Lachie, a son, Donald Stewart.

SALISBURY - On May 30th, to Lucy and Nigel, a daughter, Alice Victoria.

STANLEY - On May 27th at Oxford, to Carla and Richard, a daughter Maria Elizabeth Jane, a sister for Oliver.

WRIGHT - On June 2nd, at The Portland Hospital, to Gilla and Raymond, a son David. A brother for Eleanor.

DEATHS

AKROYD - On June 2nd, suddenly in London, Nicholas Akroyd aged 60, dearly loved brother of Joan Milne and Tony Akroyd. Requiem Mass at 11.30 am on Tuesday 14th June at The Church of the Holy Redeemer, Glebe Place, Chelsea.

BRARAZON - On June 2nd, in St. Louis, U.S.A., John W., of Wandsworth Common. Husband of Kate, father of Vincent, Philip and Mirea. Funeral arrangements private. No flowers please.

BURTON-CARTER - On June 3rd 1988, suddenly at his home in Hanley, West Midlands. Nick, aged 41 years, beloved husband of Joan, dear father of James, and much loved son of Ded and the late James Burton-Carter. Funeral service on Friday June 10th, 2.00 pm, at the Church of the Holy Rood, Edwalton, followed by interment in the churchyard.

DARBY - On June 1st 1988, peacefully in hospital in his 96th year, Austin, of Lower Willingdon, Sussex. Beloved husband of Marjorie, dear father of Carol and Susan, loved grandfather of Derek, Peter and Shona, great grandfather of Lucy. Funeral service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Wednesday June 8th at 4.30pm.

DAVIES - On June 2nd, at home, Georgia Mary, beloved daughter of the late Enid and William Brynmor Davies, and sister of Patricia. Funeral private.

EVANS - On June 2nd, suddenly at his home, Coed-Yr-Iarll, St. Fagans, Cardiff, Sir Hywel Evans, K.C.B., beloved husband of Jessie, greatly loved father of Megan, and dear father-in-law of Alec. Funeral service at Conway Road Methodist Church, Canton, Cardiff, on Friday June 10th at 1.45 pm. Afterwards at Melin Cwrt Cemetery, Resolven. Flowers may be sent to James Summers, Roath Court, Newport Road, Cardiff.

FITZGERALD - On June 2nd, peacefully in hospital after a long disablement borne with great courage, Lt. Col. Arthur Desmond (Tony) FitzGerald MBE. Beloved husband of Rosemary, father of Christopher and Gillian, brother of Keith. Sadly missed by all his family and many friends. Private cremation.

GHALI - On May 31st 1988, suddenly at his home in Southampton, Dr.G.F. Ghali, aged 38, beloved husband of Noreen. May you rest in peace with God until we meet again.

GODDARD - On Thursday June 2nd, 1988, peacefully at home, Lieut. Colonel (C of E) Peter Goddard MBE, beloved and loving husband of Kitty, father of Charlotte, Sue and Pete, father-in-law of Ray Gregory and John Kallaugher and grandfather of Johnny. Our thanks to God for all the happiness he gave. Funeral with Requiem Mass on Monday June 13th, 12 noon, at St. Edwards Church, Sutton Park, Near Guildford. Enquiries to Longhurst, Funeral Directors, 21 Kingston Road, Ewell, Surrey, 01 393 1077.

KEMPSTER - On June 1st, at Swan Hill Nursing Home, Shrewsbury, Audrey Margaret, beloved wife of the late Major General W.F.H. Kempster, DSO, OBE, and mother of Vanessa Ann and the late Sandra. Funeral service at Shrewsbury Crematorium at 12 noon on Friday June 24th. Flowers, if preferred or donations to the Army Benevolent Fund. Enquiries please to the funeral directors, W.R.H. Pugh & Son (0743) 4646 or telephone Ann Kempster at 01-747 0900.

LOUIS - On June 1st, 1988, Henry William, aged 74, after many years of illness borne with great courage. Formerly Editor of The Motor Cycle. Beloved father of Jacqueline and Andrew and much loved grandfather. Cremation on Thursday, June 9th at 2.30 pm at Putney Vale Crematorium, Roehampton, London. No flowers by request, but donations if desired to Arthritis Research, 20 TT/P, 41 Eagle Street, London, WC1, or The Princess Alice Hospice, West End Lane, Esher, Surrey.

MARIUS - On June 1st, Eleanor Mary Humble (née Gibson), widow of Richard Joseph Marius. Dearly loved mother of Tecla and Peter and grandmother of Dominic, Giulia, Marilu and Tara. Requiem Mass at St Ambrose, Wartlingham at 11.00am Friday June 10th.

OPENSHAW - On June 3rd, 1988, at home, Arthur, darling husband of Ann, father of Christopher, Mark and Samantha, father-in-law of Jane and grandfather of Oliver.

PRATT - On Thursday June 2nd, 1988, peacefully, Kathleen Ella (Topsie), Dear Wife of Frank, the late Rector of Wyke Regis (1943-1967). Much loved Mother of Jenny and a loved Grandmother, Aunt, Great Aunt and Great Great Aunt, in her 86th year. Funeral service at St. Nicolas Church, Broadwey, Weymouth on Wednesday June 8th at 11.45 am, followed by private cremation. No flowers but donations, if desired, for The Church of England Childrens Society to Mr K.G. Hillier, 12 Marlborough Avenue, Wyke Regis, Weymouth or for Christian Aid to Mr E.W. Roland, 11 St. Patrick's Avenue, Weymouth.

QUINN - On June 2nd, suddenly at home, Wing Commander Joe Quinn, retired, aged 65 years. Beloved husband of May Quinn, of Trinity Park, Ripon, dearly loved father of Dorothy and Julie, Service and cremation at Stonefall, Harrogate on Thursday June 9th at 2pm. Family flowers only please. Donations, in lieu, if desired, may be given to The British Heart Foundation for which there will be a plate in the Chapel.

TANGYE - On June 2nd 1988, in his 80th year, Nigel Trevithick of Glendorgal Lodge, Newquay.

TAYLOR-YOUNG - On June 3rd 1988, peacefully at home in Salisbury, Harold Strang, FRCS, KStJ, aged 86, beloved husband of Nancy, loved and loving father and grandfather. Funeral for family only. Thanksgiving Service on Thursday June 16th at 3 pm at Salisbury Cathedral. Donations, if desired, to St. John's Ambulance Brigade, c/o Will Case & Partners, 22 Churchfields Road, Salisbury, Wilts. Australian and New Zealand papers please copy.

WIGHT-BOYCOTT - On June 3rd, 1988, after a long illness bravely borne, Denys Reginald, beloved husband of Mary, dear father of Sarah Wright, and Anne Eustace, and grandfather of Richard and Mary. Requiem at St Francis Church, South Ascot, at 12.00 noon, Friday June 10th. Family flowers only.

WYATT - On June 1st, at Torbay Hospital after a long illness courageously borne, Kathleen (Kay), wife of the late Ray and dear mother of John, will be sadly missed by all her family. Funeral service at St. Matthias Church, Wellswood, Torquay on Thursday June 9th at 3.30 pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, for the Torbay Hospital League of Friends may be sent to Torbay and District Funeral Service, Wellswood, Torquay.

WYNN-WILLIAMS - On June 2nd 1988, peacefully at Yeovil Hospital, Katharine Marion St. Keverne (née Hill) widow of Roland Livingston and mother of Amanda Peyton Jones, John and Charles. Funeral at All Saints Church, Martock, Somerset on Tuesday 7th June at 11.30 am. Enquires concerning donations and arrangements to Wakely Bros., 33, Sparrow Road, Yeovil 0935 79913.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

GHALI - The funeral of Dr.G.F. Ghali of the Institute of Irrigation Studies, University of Southampton will take place on Wednesday 8th June at 11.30 am at South Stoneham Cemetery, Manstridge Road, Southampton. Flowers to J. Lawrence & Sons, 17 St. Denys Road, Portswood, Southampton. Tel: (0703) 554801.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

BOWRING - A Memorial Service for Mr Tom Bowring MC, TD, MA, will be held at All Hallows By The Tower, EC3, on Wednesday June 8th at 5 pm.

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IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

FLOOD - Gladys. Remebering our wonderful mother with love as always today and everyday. Maia, Joey and families.

GRACE - W.H. (Bill). On May 23rd. Friendship! Mysterious cement of the soul! Sweet'ner of life, and solder of society, I owe thee much. Sadly missed from Alex and Joy.

LESLIE - Ian W Murray 13th March 1906 to 6th June 1987. In fondest memory of my darling husband. Vivian

WHITEHEAD - A Memorial Service for the late Frank Whitehead, former Deputy Chairman of Macmillan Publishers, will be held at the Church of St Mary-le-Strand, Aldwych, London WC2 at 12 noon on Friday, June 10th.

MARRIAGES

NEUBERT-HUGHES - On May 27th 1988, in London, Simon, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Neubert, of Haut du Coin, Mont Mathieu, St Ouen, Jersey, C.I., to Jenny, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Hughes, of Monks, Balcombe, Sussex.

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THE ARTS

TELEVISION

Classic's creative illusion

The intimacy and naturalism of television are unkind to plays whose cardinal quality is theatrical artificiality. Elijah Moshinsky's production of *The Rivals* (BBC 2, Sunday) resolved this difficulty by beginning with a procession of grotesquely wigged extras, like Gillray drawings come to life, which at once provided a context of caricature for Sheridan's characters.

As the play proceeded, its stylistic confidence occasionally wavered and the production was dominated by the most extravagant personalities. Donald Sinden's Anthony Absolute and Ronald Pickup's Lucius O'Trigger roared at a volume thoroughly appropriate to the age of Garrick.

Sheila Hancock, as Mrs. Malaprop, simpered in a cockney squeak reminiscent of Dot the launderette lady in *EastEnders*. Against this competition the young lovers, who have to bear the burden of the play's narrative complications, seemed muted, although Suzanne Burden's Lydia Languish achieved considerable presence in the face of her character's basic silliness.

The Theatre Night series as a whole belongs to the genre of Reithian patronage, which aims to offer the privileges of the West End to the benighted masses who are presumed to be thirsting for classic drama. This rarely results in a play re-interpreted for television as creatively as this production.

***Everyman* (BBC 1, Sunday) celebrated the millennium of the Russian Orthodox Church with a visually sumptuous film full of gilded domes, bejewelled icons, elaborate ceremonials and clouds of incense. We were taken inside the Monastery of the Caves at Kiev, a fabulous subterranean *necropolis*.**

It is hard to tell a thousand years of history in 40 minutes; perhaps a more leisurely chronicle will appear among the future achievements of *glasnost*.

Over simplification was unavoidable in this case, but the programme asserted that Russia chose her brand of Christianity on the basis of its glamorous artwork and continues to worship only because of the emotional satisfaction the religion offers to an army of ignorant *babushki*. This seemed both unlikely and insulting.

Celia Brayfield

Vivien Noakes on Edward Lear, Victorian natural history and landscape artist as well as master of nonsense

Laughter out of pain

It is said (though the story is quite untrue) that Queen Victoria, having delighted in Lewis Carroll's *Alice in Wonderland*, asked that the author's next book should be sent to her. The study of mathematical theory which arrived was not what she had had in mind.

Some years earlier she had admired the work of that other master of Victorian nonsense, Edward Lear, but in this case she knew Lear as a landscape painter first and a nonsense writer second. In 1846 she had seen Lear's *Illustrated Excursions in Italy*, and had been so impressed by the lithographs that she invited him to give her a series of drawing lessons.

His other published works included one of the finest ornithological books ever produced by an Englishman: *Illustrations of the Family of Psittacidae, or Parrots, which appeared in 1832 when* Lear was only 19; six volumes derived from his travels in Italy, Greece, Albania and Corsica; four books of nonsense poems and stories; and musical settings of a dozen of the works of Alfred Tennyson.

It is only in recent years that the full range of Lear's extraordinary talents has been appreciated. Today, 100 years after his death, a memorial tablet to him will be dedicated in Poets' Corner, in Westminster Abbey and an exhibition of his natural history drawings, landscape paintings and illustrated letters opens at The Fine Art Society.

Lear's first *Book of Nonsense*, published in 1846, enjoyed an immediate and lasting success. It went into 24 editions in his lifetime, and has never been out of print. His later nonsense songs, such as "The Owl and the Pussycat," "The Jumblies" and "The Courtship of the Yonghy-Bonghy-Bo," are nursery classics. For a century he has been respected as the Father of Nonsense, yet Lear regarded nonsense as no more than an enjoyable sideline.

In his lifetime his landscape painting did not receive the acclaim which he felt it deserved. This was partly because what many now consider to be his finest work – the fresh and often dramatically composed pencil drawings with watercolour washes – were not sold by Lear.

He used these studies, done on his extensive travels, as works of reference for more considered studio watercolours and oil paintings. It was by these studio works that he was judged.

But sometimes they lack the individuality and sparkle of his best watercolours, which express something of the joyful freedom he experienced when travelling through beautiful countryside, close to nature. Truth to Nature was an axiom that, from his teenage years, Lear had sought instinctively.

His volume of parrot drawings was the first ornithological work in which the draughtsman worked almost exclusively from living birds rather than from stuffed skins. Making studies from moving, screaming parrots presented Lear with problems, but also gave a vitality and personality to the birds which was the reason for the success of his ornithological work.

He came to identify with the parrots that he drew, and wrote: "should any transmigration take place at my decease I am sure my soul would be very uncomfortable in anything but one of the Psittacidae." This identification is seen in many of the drawings which accompany his limericks. These fresh and powerful line drawings were bold forerunners of modern cartoon illustration.

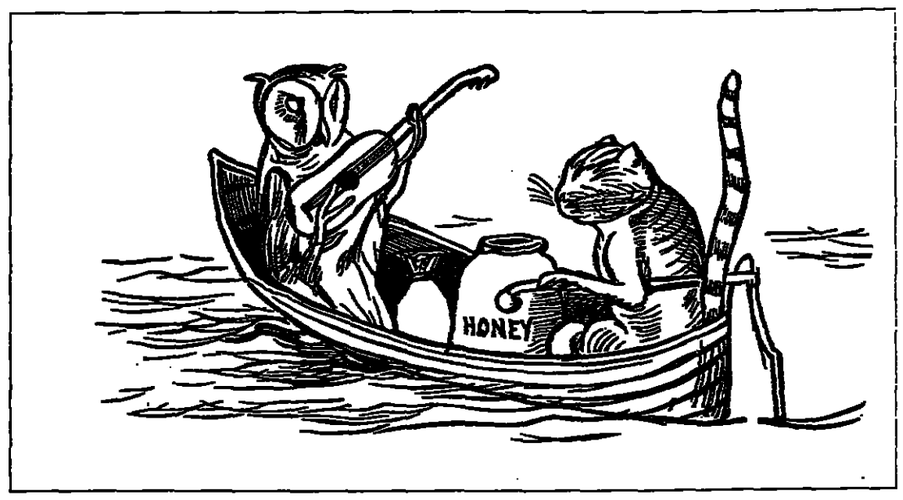
Simple and uncluttered, both the illustrations and the words had a powerful impact in the mid-19th century nursery which modern readers find difficult to understand. For all their absurdity, Lear's limerick characters reflect real human characteristics more truly than the perfect heroes of the moral tale could ever do.

Lear was on the side of the child. The 20th of 21 children, he remembered childhood and understood it. But he was no Peter Pan, trapped for ever in his own early days. He retained a childlike quality of excited response to the world around him, but he did so from the standpoint of a man who suffered deeply, both physically and emotionally.

From early childhood he was tormented by epilepsy, with frequent and often violent attacks. The fact of his distressing illness was something he kept secret from all except his family, and it was not until after his death, when his diaries could be read, that even his closest friends realized the burden that Lear had carried all his life.

His response to this, and to bouts of deadening depression, was to turn from what he saw as the ugliness of his own afflicted body and mind to the creation of beauty – in painting, in poetry and above all in laughter.

● *Vivien Noakes is Lear's biographer and editor of his* Selected Letters, *published by the Oxford University Press. The exhibition is at the Fine Arts Society until July 1.*



Off to sea: The Owl and the Pussy-Cat, as drawn by Edward Lear, from the Fine Arts Society exhibition

CONCERTS

Special pleading

Martini Cellothon
Queen Elizabeth Hall

What is a "cellothon"? According to its Artistic Director, Julian Lloyd Webber, what took place on the South Bank at the weekend is a celebration of cello playing and composition for cello, with emphasis on what he considers unjustly neglected areas of the repertoire.

Julius Klengel's *Hymnus* made a radiant prologue to his first concert: a warm and richly harmonized *cantileña* for a stage full of cellists. Students from London colleges united to give a performance whose ensemble, intonation and synchronized phrasing would have been the envy of a number of permanent string groups. Then, with the City of London Sinfonia under Richard Hickox: Bridge's Oration and Holst's Invocation, framed by Britten's Young Person's *Guide to* Elgar's *Enigma* Variations.

Is Oration really "neglected"? Lloyd Webber's performance showed that his feeling for this strikingly original piece has deepened considerably since his own pioneering recording. The conviction was entirely persuasive, and Richard Hickox found almost Shostakovichian reserves of intensity and brutality in the orchestral writing.

Holst's Invocation is less ambitious and less consistent, but it has its moments of characteristic contemplative beauty. Lloyd Webber and Hickox approach both strengths and weaknesses with sympathy, though a spluttering cello harmonic marred the beauty of the closing bars.

Britten's Young Person's Guide could have made an excellent foil – though only in the concluding fugue did the orchestra really seem to warm to the task.

Stephen Johnson

Fine début despite gimmicks

OPERA

La traviata
New Theatre, Cardiff

For their summer season the Welsh National Opera are back home in the New Theatre, mightily refurbished after its closure and a good deal more spick and span an area than once it was. Their new *Traviata* is a flashy affair, directed with chill chic by Göran Järvefelt. But it has the priceless advantage of a young American soprano, Susan Patterson, in the title role: a marvellously accomplished Violetta.

Ms Patterson, despite being put through some ugly hoops by Järvefelt, carries virtually everything for the role. She has youth, security of coloratura, an ability to unleash passion, especially in her scenes with Giorgio Germont, and the staying power to deliver Violetta's "Gran' Dio" as a genuine cry of defiance at the nasty world about her.

She has obviously been exceptionally well schooled in the role. She lacks at the moment the touch to nip the heartstrings at just the right time, but that, to a great extent, is the fault of the production.

For reasons which he consistently fails to justify, Göran Järvefelt moves *Traviata* a century or so forward in time. Violetta lives in a world which is halfway between Cocteau and a dog-eared copy of *Vogue*. Her opening party is in black. The lovers' country retreat is in white, with Violetta improbably in a trouser suit, while Flora's soirée is in red.

Laurence Dale, as Alfredo, was forced to appear with shoulder-length hair in the opening act and a ponytail at the close. Little surprise that he produced his best singing in the middle of the opera, though the decision of conductor Sir Charles Mackerras, to include every bit of Alfredo's cabaletta, left Dale distinctly short of voice.

Germont *père*, too, got his Act II cabaletta, but Barry Mora had the vocal experience to carry this with ease. Mora's Germont neat and sturdy, coped well with Järvefelt's inventions, which had admirable chorus banging feet in time to the Act I *brindisi* and Violetta with a miniature cross and a toy Madonna in Act III.

Sir Charles Mackerras constantly had his finger on the pulse of the music, not least when it becomes a death rattle only half obscured by false hope. Would that his sensitivity had been reflected on stage, and the WNO's astuteness in bringing Susan Patterson to Britain had been reflected in a more serious staging.

John Higgins

CLIVE BARDA



Defiant end: Patterson and Dale

Recent in America

Speculum Musicae
Arnolfini, Bristol

The most challenging programme of six simultaneous concerts in the *Bath Festival* on Saturday was from fine New York group Speculum Musicae, of mostly recent *American chamber pieces*. There was not a minimalist moment.

Instead, we heard the rather meatier music of Lee Hyla and Allan Anderson, both in their mid-thirties. Hyla tends towards vigorous presentation of contrasting material simultaneously. In his 1985 String Quartet it was the same motifs that were contrasted, in frenetic or spacious versions.

The contrasts of his trio, *The Dream of Innocent III*, were more of timbre, since it pitted a lyrical cello (amplified) against a percussion part which acquiesced uneasily, then struck out into full-scale rock music, and a piano part which perhaps arbitrated between the two. In both works Hyla revealed a highly distinctive voice, mostly *Bartók-like in its stuttering* rhythms, but sometimes dissolving into quaintly archaic cadences.

Anderson does not project this sort of quirky, rhetorical flair, although he controls the flow and mood of his pieces with a mature touch.

Speculum Musicae also lightened the programme with two skittish works: John Cage's austere and entrancing Six Pieces for *Violin and Piano*, and Donald Martino's *Canzone Tarantella* for Clarinet and Cello, moving wittily from avant-garde gestures to snatches of 19th-century Italian opera.

Richard Morrison

Healthy bout of self-laceration

RADIO

From one point of view, **Saturday Night Fry** (Radio Four, Saturdays repeating Wednesday) has done its host network no service: it has made it impossible to listen to large sections of the Radio Four output without recalling how Stephen Fry and his fellow conspirators sent them up rotten.

In effect the whole of this six part series, now nearing its end, has been one long and painfully accurate parody of the BBC radio flagship at its least attractive.

It will not have escaped you how Radio Four announcers often feel constrained to jolly us all along as if no reasonable being could be expected to carry on listening without being cajoled. Or, again, you will have registered how the compulsion to link one programme with the next commonly ends up sounding fatuous. Then there's the insufferable, knowing mateyness which no chat show is ever able to resist for long.

The dangerous thing about *Saturday Night Fry* is that its writers and its performers not only know their victim but realize that in order to deflate him most effectively you only need to overinflate him a very, very little. Yet from another point of view, they do their host a kindness by adding a strand of criticism to well-aimed mockery which neither *Feedback* nor *The Radio Programme* is designed to provide.

My Heroes (Radio Four Fridays) might easily have qualified as a Fry victim, had it not taken the precaution of beginning just as its potential tormentor is ending. This show was a dead duck at its first appearance in 1987 and you wonder how anyone could have been induced to bring it back.

Cliff Morgan sits down in front of one celebrity a week and invites each to chat about his or her heroes. If such an idea could have been made to work, then Morgan's first guest of the new series would have got it airborne.

George Melly is not the sort of man in whose company you are likely to spend a dull half hour, but last Friday even he came near to tedium. When otherwise interesting characters are asked to talk about people they admire, they seem to flounder in waffle.

A really first-class interviewer, with a thorough appreciation of his guest's enthusiasms, might bring both guest and object of worship into focus and an interesting relationship. Cliff Morgan does not seem to meet either criterion.

A similar fog surrounds Hugh O'Shaughnessy's new series, **Latin Americans** (Radio Four, Wednesday). This began with half-hour portraits of an Argentinian actress, Nacha Guevara, and a Bolivian general, Gary Prado, neither of them likely to be familiar to listeners without a good working knowledge of the Latin American scene, and neither so personally compelling and/or vividly portrayed as to command unfaltering attention; nor – which I take to have been the objective – to open out the world of the Americas as seen through their eyes.

This for British listeners is the problem: unless we are fighting a South Atlantic war or Colombian desperadoes are murdering the judiciary in Bogotá, or a haul of cocaine has just been intercepted, coverage of the area by our media is very poor indeed.

What we need first is basic information, an overview of the sub-continent, its history and its present. O'Shaughnessy does volunteer such information, but only in the book he has written to accompany the programmes. Read the one and perhaps the others will find a context. No broadcaster can really count on such co-operation from his listeners.

There was no danger that lack of information would make **The Learned Clerk** (Radio Four, Tuesday repeated Wednesday) seem unapproachable, for if there is one thing we all believe we understand, it is the working of the courts. But John Howard's look into the role of the magistrates and in particular of the Clerk of the Court soon persuaded me I knew very little.

A clerk *is* the professional, a solicitor or barrister, the bench are the amateurs. He may advise but may not influence. How far that optimistic distinction operates in practice made a fascinating study.

David Wade

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MONDAY PAGE

PM's question time

Mrs Thatcher faces a tough interview today. Sally Brompton finds out why

JOHN HARRISON



Asking for answers: Jessica Patterson, preparing for the meeting with Mrs Thatcher

At eleven o'clock this morning, nine-year-old Jessica Patterson will sit down with the Prime Minister at 10 Downing Street and ask the question which dominates her young life: "Do you think the people of Ulster will have accepted the Anglo-Irish agreement by the time I grow up?" For Jessica, this is no academic exercise dreamt up by a politically motivated schoolteacher, but the grim reality of living in Belfast.

It means so much to Jessica that she entered a competition to interview Mrs Thatcher so that she could ask the question herself. The youngest of the four competition winners, she is determined to get a satisfactory answer. "Some of the boys at school don't agree with the Anglo-Irish agreement because they want to stay with England, but I think it's a good idea because it gets the south of Ireland and the north of Ireland working together and communicating with each other," she explains.

At an age when most girls are concerned primarily with the politics of the playground, Jessica is one of a growing number of British children who are taking a personal and articulate interest in what is happening in the world around them. With the world's hostilities and disasters competing constantly with *Blue Peter* and *Postman Pat*, they feel threatened, saddened and involved.

Nicky Smith, editor of *Early Times*, the young people's newspaper which ran the "Interview Mrs Thatcher" competition, was surprised at the high level of political awareness in the entries. Competitors had to send in six questions they would like to ask the Prime Minister: they included a large number about nuclear power, the poll tax and the channel tunnel.

For Jessica, the eldest of four daughters of Belfast neurologist Victor Patterson and English-born general practitioner, Jane, politics and violence are a normal part of her everyday life. At her Protestant primary school "the Troubles" are the main topic of playground conversation and she admits that she gets worried by the gun-wielding soldiers who patrol the streets of her city. "I was frightened when I saw them shooting when I was out in the car with Daddy," she told me softly. Her mother was surprised. "Daddy must have told you not to tell me."

While Jessica's parents are neither religious nor particularly politically inclined ("If anything, we're probably SDP," says her mother), Luke Salkeld, another of the competition winners, comes from a family who "feel strongly about everything". Twelve-year-old Luke's questions for the Prime Minister include one asking her to justify spending so much money on defence instead of on health and education. "I hope she'll answer them properly and truthfully and without statistics," Luke says.

"I don't agree with a lot of Mrs Thatcher's policies and I find her a bit frightening sometimes. She seems to frighten journalists and all the top people and she seems to tell her Cabinet what to think.

"I hope the Conservatives won't be in power by the time I'm 20." The second of three children, Luke lives in a five-bedroom semi-detached house in Plymouth.

His father is a marine biologist, his mother a grammar school teacher. Luke goes to the local Catholic comprehensive. "I suppose I am ambitious for my future," he says. "I'd like to make something of my life. Politics are important because we'll all be voting citizens one day."

Another winner, 13-year-old Nicola Harrison from Norwich, also believes that there should be a change of government but adds: "Politicians all make their promises but I can't think of anybody off-hand who would be a good prime minister. I'm not pessimistic as a whole but I can't see much future at the rate we're going at the moment."

Nicola's parents — her father is a chest specialist and her mother a counsellor — are SLD. Her 17-year-old brother is "a bit more left wing". At her mixed comprehensive school, the lunchtime conversation is about "various topics which are in the news". Nicola says: "There seems to be a growing gap between the rich and the poor in this country which is wrong. I think people should pay the poll tax according to what they earn."

Mrs Thatcher will be the second politician to be interviewed by Nicola, who reads *The Guardian* "most days". Last year she took part in a Radio 4 phone-in with South Africa's foreign affairs minister, Pik Botha. "I asked him what he considered to be the difference between a white person and a black person," she recalls.



'Will the Anglo-Irish agreement be accepted by the time I grow up?'

"He paused for quite a while and then said: 'We are all children of God', and then sort of started talking rubbish. Somehow he got on to Northern Ireland and I said: 'I'm not talking about Northern Ireland, I'm talking about your country.' He sounded a bit confused. I don't think he really knew what to say." She intends to ask Mrs Thatcher why she is not imposing sanctions on South Africa.

Stephen Fairclough, 14, the eldest son of a British Telecom manager, wants to be prime minister himself one day. "I'd like to see Britain at its optimum and I'd try to change all the things that are wrong with society. I don't think there should be any class structure and I think everyone should be able to go out and make money if they've got the initiative. I don't think people should be given money for doing nothing at all."

Stephen, who goes to a private day school in Croydon and intends to vote Conservative when he is old enough, plans to ask Mrs Thatcher whether she believes that *glasnost* is genuine and whether she thinks that Thatcherism makes people selfish. "It would be nice if unemployment went down, but only if it's possible and people want to work. I think society does need a good leader and a driving force, and as we've a good leader, things should be fine."

A report on the interview will appear in the next issue of Early Times, *which is published on Wednesday, price 38p, available from newsagents*

Bumpy ride



PENNY PERRICK

As one picks one's way daintily through life quite a lot of things obstruct one's path: men, work and badly parked cars being but three. But I have yet to come across a woman who has been seriously incommoded by her bosom.

Even much-envied girls whose cleavage begins enticingly just below their chin do not experience any more difficulty in going about their business than those whose contours are less bumpy, so it was a surprise to read that an Australian trade union official, Bill Taylor, thought that the reason women did not become car mechanics was purely anatomical and that leaning over mudguards could cause problems.

Generously chested women have been leaning over things for ages, ranging from the counters of pubs to display cases containing very pretty diamond bracelets, and they have never uttered a word of complaint. So when Mr Taylor claims that because of the way their bodies curve women tend to become paint sprayers *rather than* car mechanics, it is time to look for a hidden agenda.

This, as most female achievers know, is the reason which dare not speak its name but which is the underlying cause of women not being allowed to do what they want.

Usually, it has something to do with money. I do not know the comparative rates of pay between Australian car mechanics and paint sprayers but I will hazard a guess that car mechanics are the higher earners. As there is a fine old tradition that well-paid jobs should be reserved for men, I doubt that girls, be they flat as a board, are encouraged to train as car mechanics. Were it the other way round, with paint sprayers taking home the bigger pay packet, then there would be some concern about women applicants. One would be told that because of the narrowness of their wrists, women would meet with terrible obstacles every time they tried to pick up a spray gun.

In occupations where a woman's lack of brute strength cannot be labelled a handicap, the hidden agenda is concerned with men's fear of change. And they have every reason to be afraid that a female on the board will turn their world upside down. Only last week, the Prime Minister was boasting openly that it had taken a woman's presence in Downing Street to ensure that things were truly shaken and not just gently stirred.

But men do not voice these fears. They murmur words like "emotional make-up", "the difficulty of combining a career with motherhood", as if combining a career with fatherhood were a piece of cake, and reflect sadly that no female candidate has so far presented herself for a vacant directorship. Of course she hasn't. Life is difficult enough without walking into a situation where rejection is almost certain.

The first rule on the hidden agenda is that women should be persuaded to undertake labour-intensive jobs for not very much money. As far as I know, not one company director or trade-union official has expressed concern that women are making meringues or writing novels. And yet these occupations are by no means free of hazard. A friend of mine who is writing her first novel has recently developed such a painful case of VDU-finger that buttoning her shirt has become an agonizing chore. If it gets any worse, she will have to give up her ladylike outpourings and become a car mechanic.

TALKBACK

Suzanne Padfield, West Wickham, Cambridge

On the face of it, Steve Turner's article about the New Age ("Echoes of the age of Aquarius", Monday Page, May 30) was interesting and appeared harmless enough. But I find this very harmlessness somewhat alarming.

Do those who await the dawning of the "New Age" know, for example, that there lie embodied in the founding literature and subsequent philosophy, profoundly anti-Christian, totalitarian and racist beliefs? The divinity of Jesus Christ would be removed, to be replaced by a kind of "perfected Man". Perfected?

I quote from Alice A. Bailey, prominent among New Age writers: "When humanity has solved the Jewish problem, one of the major difficulties will disappear off the face of the earth."

It will not be man perfected and freed by spiritual development, transformed by the life of Jesus, but slaves, devoted to certain New Age Masters, whose plan it is (we are told) to topple Jesus Christ and replace all he stands for themselves, ruling with total control over the thoughts and actions of humanity, part of the deal being that humanity gives up to them its free will.

I would advocate that any innocent inquirer into New Age beliefs and practices takes a close look at its philosophy.

Am I wrong, or did Jesus say: "I am the way, the truth and the life", and also "In my Father's house there are many mansions", thus opening the way for all races and creeds to become "perfected man" with total freedom.

Barry Kew, Secretary, The Vegan Society, 33-35 George Street, Oxford

So Dr James Witchalls of Little Bookham (Talkback, May 23) has "yet to meet well-proportioned, robust children brought up on a vegan diet".

He should have contacted us first. We could have pointed him in the right direction (and have now done so).

There is still a lot of (often deliberate scaremongering) nonsense written about vegan diets. Bringing up young humans on animal foods is the dodgier path.

If you have money to invest in antiques, what should you be buying and where are the bargains?

New good buys

Elton John is selling his art collection at Sotheby's, and confidently expecting more than £3 million for it. Superlatives abound: "the best collection of spectacular Carlo Bugatti furniture in private hands"; "excellent"; "interesting" glass by Galle and Tiffany; an "extremely good" William Morris carpet; even "outrageous" spectacles by the dozen, once worn by the pop star himself.

It is all very well for Elton, sitting back and modestly telling the tale of how he bought prancing art nouveau figures by Chiparis for £6,000 (they have now leapt to £20,000), how "I had no idea how well I was buying". This does nothing but turn the novice collector an "interesting" shade of green. Much of Elton's booty reached its vogue after he purchased it, and is now only affordable by millionaires.

Apart from art nouveau, other categories which may have reached their peak value include 18th-century mahogany bedroom furniture, which has risen mightily since 1978, and 18th-century enamel "patch boxes" — once used by powdered ladies for storing their artificial spots. "Ten years ago they cost £40 to £50," says Lady Hudson, a dealer.

"Now the cheapest is £300. I don't think their prices can soar any more." According to Charles Avery, head of Sculpture at Christie's, the recent fad for classical busts in Clapham drawing-rooms may have ended sharply at his last sale on April 20, when a consignment failed to sell. "It may be they've gone out of fashion. We need two more sales to tell."

How do the uninitiated take on the art market? Where do they start? The art world is swimming with both sharks and the sort of superior beings who, like one dealer, say: "If anybody comes in and says 'How should I spend £1,000?' I immediately lose interest in them." And to make things worse, there are no rules to follow. Not even the most experienced of collectors can read the tea-leaves.

Due to a general shortage of quality goods in the market, prices at the top have been rising out of proportion to the middle range. It is likely that they will continue to do so, but can we be sure?

There are a growing number of courses teaching basic appreciation and prices, not to mention BBC television's *Antiques Road Show*, which has turned thousands into fireside connoisseurs; even children are not immune — on Saturday morning's *Wide Awake Club* they were encouraged to look out for Levi 501s and model cars as they could be the antiques of the future. Nat West Bank has arranged an Antiques Appreciation Day for its Gold Plus cardholders on Friday at Brocket Hall in Hertfordshire. Chris Payne, a Sotheby's furniture expert, will talk about "Living with Antiques: a discussion on investing in practical pieces for the home".

And there are all those DIY tomes to be found in every bookshop — the latest of which is Miller's *Pocket Antiques Fact File*, which is published next week. A "unique, portable reference source . . . covering all the popular categories of collecting" it may be, but "I don't consult any of those price guides," says Geoffrey Godden, an English ceramics dealer. "And I don't know any dealer who does."

Collecting requires direct communion with the objects, otherwise it will result in an accumulation of the motley and inconsequential, and, very possibly, fakes.



Julia Bourdon-Smith's silver

Help is at hand this week and next in the form of three major antiques fairs in London — at Olympia, and on Friday the Grosvenor House Antiques Fair and the International Ceramics Fair both open. Together, they span the market from top to bottom and offer the best schoolroom of all: the antiques themselves.

Proclaimed as *the* fair by the organizers, Grosvenor House prides itself on "pieces of museum quality never before shown in public". But, whereas museum pieces remain in glass cases, these ones can be inspected closely, and touched. Over at Olympia, a huge affair with 300 stands: the goods are far more homely and far more attainable for the collector with a modest budget.

Unlike shops, auction houses, and most Sunday-afternoon fairs, every item in the three fairs has been vetted and confirmed by a committee of experts before the doors open. This year, organizers at the Grosvenor and at Olympia have compiled lists of antiques they consider to be on the way up. The Grosvenor has concentrated on the sublime (silver by Paul de Lamerie; a modest little painting by Fragonard for £500,000) while Olympia on the ridiculous (their list of suggested "antiques of the future" includes the ultimate Yuppie aids — Filofaxes and top designer clothes).

"The key is to buy white elephants," according to George Levy, a furniture dealer at Blairmans. He recently held an exhibition of work by the 19th-century English cabinet-maker, George Bullock, whose prices are climbing steeply. "Find things which are out of fashion." But, he adds, first develop an eye. "With a little research, most people can distinguish between good and bad design."

His tips include mid-19th century furniture, and pieces from living furniture makers such as John Makepeace and Viscount Linley. They are producing the antiques of the future.

Sarah Jane Checkland

Fine Art & Antiques Fair *at Olympia, London W14 (01-385 1200); to June 12.*
Grosvenor House Antiques Fair, *Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane, London W1 (01-499 6363); from Friday to June 18.*
International Ceramic Fair, *Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, London W1 (01-629 8888); from Friday to June 13.*

INVESTMENTS FOR FUTURE FUN

Tapestries
Still one tenth of the cost of paintings from similar periods. Mayorcas, the dealers, suggest Continental and



Tapestries: still going up

French tapestries are a good buy at between £5,000 and £10,000.

Furniture
Fine quality English furniture of all types, from £2,000 to £15,000 is a good buy; good 18th-century furniture; John Taylor of Sotheby's: anything oak.

Glass
Georgian decanters from £120 are scarce, but reasonable.

Clocks
18th-century glass plated skeleton clock, showing its works, by Julian Beliard of Paris at John Carlton Smith's stand, Grosvenor House. Priced at £20,000 it "offers significant future gain".

Musical instruments
Rare walnut spinet by Charles Howard, late 17th-century, at Michael Foster, Grosvenor House. "So rare, it has to be a good *investment.*"

Silver
"Name" pieces by Paul de Lamerie and Paul Storr, offered at Koopman for £9,000 to £15,000.

Ceramics
Go for Chelsea, Bow, Derby, Worcester, Coalport at around £500 to £2,000. Steer clear of damaged pieces and oriental ceramics, unless you have "serious money".

Electrical products
Electric fans, transistor radios and early calculating machines.

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Paintings
"British Impressionism" is being heavily promoted by David Messum, who is exhibiting at both Grosvenor House and Olympia. Prices



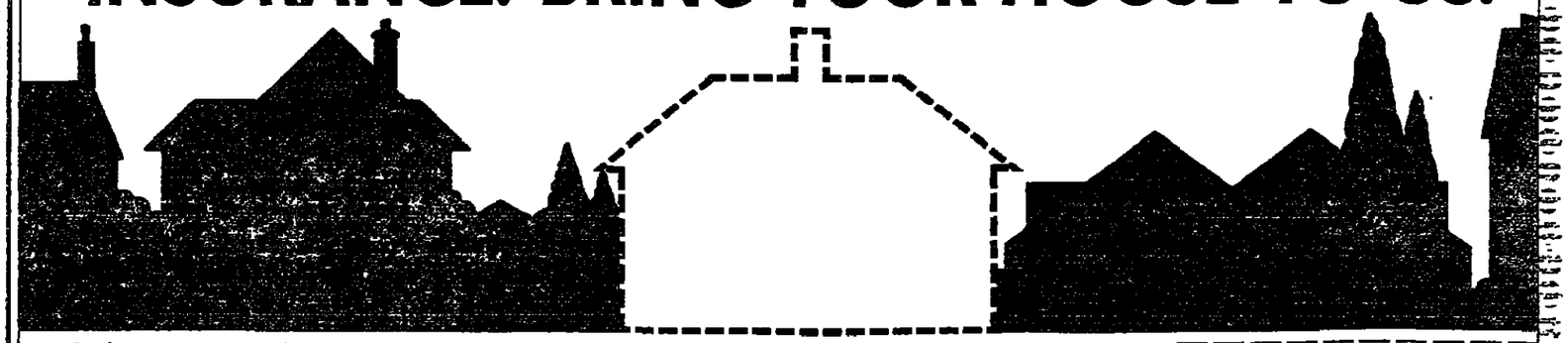
British Impressionism pleases

are already high but there is much mileage in certain forgotten artists. Messum offers a winter river scene by Julius Olsson, founder member of the St Ives School, at £7,500.

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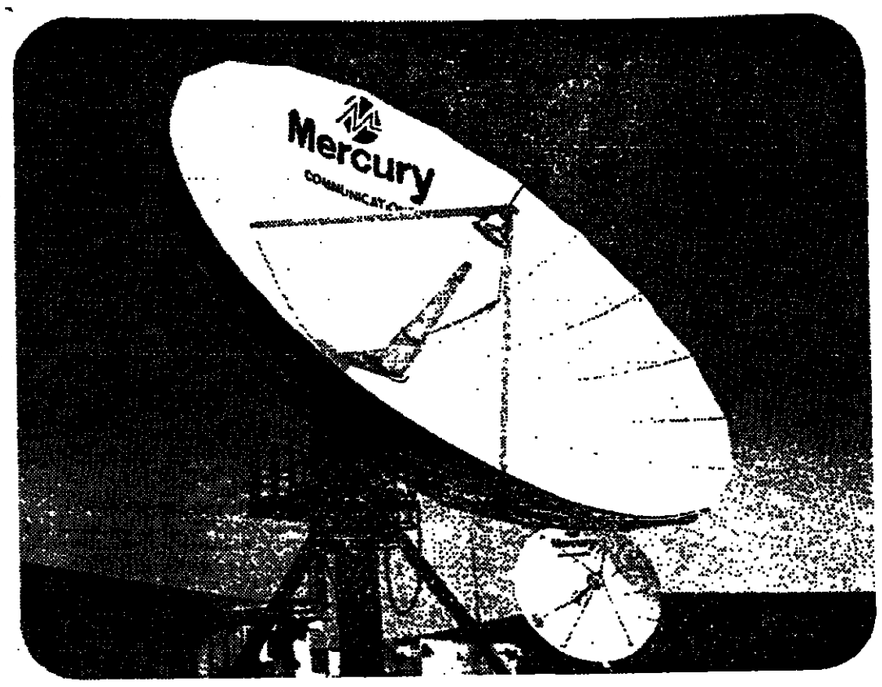
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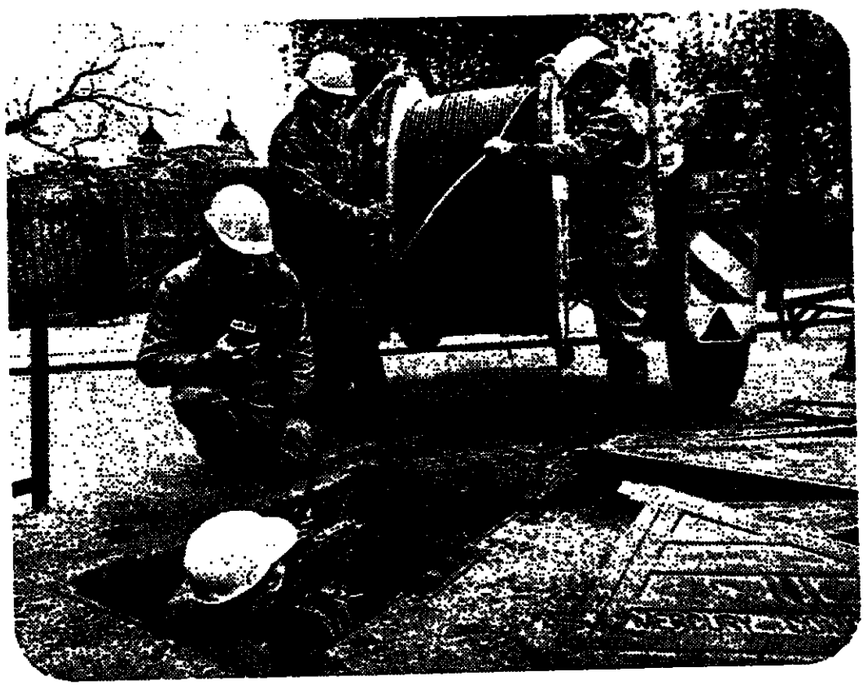
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☆ **THE COMMON PURSUIT:** Simon Gray play traces the fortunes of undergraduate friends; splendid cast led by Rik Mayall, John Sessions, Stephen Fry, John Gordon Sinclair.
Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-836 2294). Tube: Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Thurs 8-10.15pm, Fri and Sat 8.45-11pm, mats Fri and Sat 6-8.15pm, £6-£14.50.

☆ **DRIVING MISS DAISY:** The relationship between an elderly Jewess and her black chauffeur.
Apollo Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 2663). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Previews tonight and tomorrow 8-9.30pm. First night Weds, 7-8.30pm. Then Mon to Sat 8-9.30pm; mats Sat 5-6.30pm. Previews £4-£12. From Weds, £5-£14.

EASY VIRTUE: Attractive revival of 1928 Noël Coward with Jane How scandalizing her teenage husband's frightful county folks.
Garrick Theatre, Charing Cross Road WC2 (01-379 6107). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Fri 8-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.30pm, mat Tues 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm. £7.50-£12.50.

☆ **HAPGOOD:** Puzzling new Tom Stoppard play. Spies, physics and misunderstandings; with Nigel Hawthorne, Roger Rees, Felicity Kendal and Iain Glen.
Aldwych Theatre, Aldwych WC2 (01-836 6404). Tube: Covent Garden. Mon-Fri 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 8-11pm, mats Wed 2.30-5.30 and Sat 4-7pm, £5-14.50.

☆ **LETTICE AND LOVAGE:** Maggie Smith and Margaret Tyzack waging eccentric war against the modern world in Peter Shaffer's new comedy.
Globe Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3667). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat, 7.45-10.15pm, mat Sat 3-5.30pm, £7.50-£15. (D)

☆ **THE MIRACLE WORKER:** William Gibson's celebrated play showing how blind young Helen Keller learnt to communicate.
Westminster Theatre, Palace Street SW1 (01-834 0283). Tube: Victoria. Tues-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, mats Wed and Thurs 2.30-5pm, and Sat 3-5.30pm, £5.50-£12.50.

OUT OF TOWN

COVENTRY: ☆ **The Elephant Man:** Bernard Pomerance's touching play, with cast coached in circus skills.
Belgrade Theatre, Belgrade Square (0203 553055). Mon to Thrs 7.30pm, Fri and Sat 8pm, £3.50-£5.90 (30pence extra on Saturdays). Tonight all seats £3.50.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 24

LAMPADEDROMY
(b) A torch relay race, either on foot or on horse, in which a lighted torch is passed on from hand to hand, as at the beginning of Plato's *Republic*, from the Greek *lampas* + *dromia* running.

AZTEC TWO-STEP
(c) Tourist's stomach upsets caused by a change in the system's bacterial population; cf. *Delhi belly, Montezuma's revenge, Montezuma's retaliation*, and similar facetious coinages.

RIPIENO
(a) The musical term for the whole orchestra, literally "full" in Italian; the second-string players who were never allowed to play solo or in solo groups were the *Ripieno* players.

JORRAM
(b) A Gaelic song for rowing across the loch to; from the Gaelic *iorram*; improperly extended to other rude Highland songs or choruses that are as much an antidote to enjoying music as the pipes.

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
☎ **Advance booking possible**

■ **EMPIRE OF THE SUN (PG):** J G Ballard's autobiographical novel about a British child in Shanghai caught by the invading Japanese in the Second World War; filmed by Steven Spielberg with great panache (153 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). *Progs 1.45, 5.10, 8.40.*
☎ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791). Progs 1.35, 4.55, 8.00. Late fri 11.10.

IRONWEED (15): Worthy but stodgy adaptation of William Kennedy's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel about a derelict (Jack Nicholson) in search of redemption. Artful star turns by Nicholson and Meryl Streep; directed by Hector Babenco (143 min).
Odeon Haymarket (01-930 2738). Progs 1.40, 4.50, 8.10. Late fri 11.10.

■ **THE LAST EMPEROR (15):** Bertolucci's gorgeously photographed epic tells the extraordinary story of Pu Yi, China's last imperial ruler, who lived to become a model Communist citizen. With John Lone, Peter O'Toole (162 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.30, 7.40.
☎ **Lumière** (01-836 0691). Progs 1.20, 4.35, 7.55.
☎ **Screen on Baker Street** (01-935 2772). Progs 3.20, 7.45.
Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 2.00, 7.30.
Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 2.30, 7.30.

■ **MOONSTRUCK (PG):** Should Cher play it safe and marry *Danny Aiello*, or follow her heart and go for his brother, Nicholas Cage? Norman Jewison took the Best Director award at the Berlin Film Festival and Cher the Best Actress *Oscar (102 min).*
Cannon Baker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 1.35, 3.50, 6.05, 8.20.
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 1.10, 3.30, 5.50, 8.25.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.10, 6.10, 9.10.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.55, 3.55, 6.15, 8.30.
☎ **Plaza** (01-437 1234). Progs 12.30, 2.45, 5.00, 7.15, 9.30.

■ **PLANES, TRAINS AND AUTOMOBILES (15):** An advertising executive (Steve Martin) and a shower curtain ring salesman (John Candy) on a nightmare journey from New York to Chicago (100 min).
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 1.55, 4.10, 6.20, 8.35.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.15.
Empire Leicester Square (01-200 0200). Progs 12.45, 2.45, 5.00, 7.30, 9.45.

A PRAYER FOR THE DYING (15): Overcooked melodrama with Mickey Rourke as an IRA hit-man on the run in England (107 min).
Leicester Square Theatre (01-930 5252) 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.40.
Odeon Kensington (01-602 6644). Progs 12.40, 3.05, 5.35, 8.25, 11.10.

TAMPOPO (18): Anecdotes about food fill this offbeat Japanese comedy in which a truck-driver and his friend help a pretty widow overhaul her noodle shop. Directed by Juzo Itami (117 min).
☎ **Metro** (01-437 0757). Progs 2.30, 4.45, 7.00, 9.15.
Screen on the Hill (01-435 3366). Progs 3.50, 6.35, 8.45. Late fri 11.15.

■ **WALL STREET (15):** Oliver Stone's diatribe against the evils of the stock market. (126 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.05, 5.25, *8.10.*
Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). Progs 1.45, 5.10, 8.20, 11.45.

THE WHALES OF AUGUST (U): Lillian Gish and Bette Davis as two aged sisters facing life's changes. Flimsy material, but the legendary stars carry the day. Lindsay Anderson directs (91 min).
Curzon Mayfair (01-499 3737). Progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.20, 8.40.

ROCK

☆ **SALIF KEÏTA:** Extraordinary singing star from Mali whose album *Soro* was among the best releases of 1987.
Top Rank Suite, West Street, Brighton (0273 732627) 7.30pm, £6.



Jumping to a new career

Bob Beamon's world record long-jump of 8.90 metres, photographed by Tony Duffy at the Mexico Olympics in 1968, was the beginning of the photographic agency *Allsport*. Until that moment Duffy had been an amateur photographer indulging his hobby of sports photography, but he earned his living as a chartered accountant. The record-breaking jump had taken Beamon beyond the optical measuring sight which was set parallel to the sandpit. While he waited for the old-fashioned measuring tape to be brought out he seemed almost to have slipped into a trance, the moment being almost too much for him. They were critical minutes for Duffy too. The elation he felt as he waited for the result convinced him that he had to devote his life to sports photography. Allsport, the agency Duffy conceived in those few seconds, celebrates its twentieth birthday this year. Over those years the agency has become legendary, not only for fine sports photographs but for sports photographs which are infused with emotion and which capture the atmosphere of the event depicted. Time and again Duffy's pictures and those of the other photographers who work with him — Adrian Murrell, Steve Powell, Simon Bruty, Bob Martin, and many others — are extraordinary in a field where it is easy to become proficient but rare to become brilliant. *Visions of Sport, Twenty Years of Allsport*, at the National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 2033) from today. Also published in book form, Pelham Books, £14.95. *Michael Young*

☆ **HOTHOUSE FLOWERS:** Dublin band of considerable potential whose debut *album People* is released today.
Leas Cliff Hall, The Leas, Folkestone (0303 53193)

☆ **PRINCE'S TRUST 1988 GALA:** *Charles and Diana in attendance for* appearances by Rick Astley, Eric Clapton, Phil Collins, T'Pau, Wet Wet Wet, the Four Tops, Midge Ure's All-Star band and others.
Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212) 7.30pm, £15-£25.

OPERA

☆ **KATYA KABANOVA:** Bold, expressionistic production of Janáček's Opera, by Nikolaus Lehnhoff.
Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex (0273-541111), 6.20-9.50pm, returns only.

☆ **ROBINSON CRUSOE:** Offenbach's comic opera performed in English by students of the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.
Barbican, Silk Street, London, EC2 (01-638 8891), £5.50.

JAZZ

☆ **IRAKERE/BUD SHANK:** Return of Chucho Valdez's crackling Afro-Cuban ensemble, on the same bill as one of the leading altoists of the 1950s West Coast school.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747) 9.30pm, £8 (members £2)

☆ **TALISKER:** Ken Hyder's trio blends Celtic folk strains with conventional improvisation.
Four Bars Inn, Castle Street, Cardiff (0222 374962) 8.30pm, £4.

TURK MAURO: The mainstream American tenor-baritone player is in residence until Thursday.
Bass Clef, 35 Coronet Street, London N1 (01-729 2476) 8.45pm, £5.

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

☆ **ACCARDO CONCERT:** The great Italian violinist Salvatore Accardo plays Beethoven's Sonata Op 24 "Spring" and Prokofiev's Sonata Op 94a.
St John's, Smith Sq, London SW1 (01-222-1061), 1-2pm, £2.50.

EVENING

☆ **SALONEN/PHILHARMONIA:** The Philharmonia Orchestra is conducted by Esa-Pekka Salonen in Liszt's Piano Concerto No 1 (Barry Douglas, soloist), Bruckner's lengthy Symphony No 4 "Romantic" and a little-heard Berio piece, *Ritirata Notturna di Madrid.*
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928-31291, cc 01-928-8800), 7.30-9.25pm, £2.-£14.

☆ **ENESCU/ENESCU:** The Enescu *Chamber Players with works by* Georges Enescu.
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935-2141), 7.30pm, £3-£7.50.

☆ **GROVES/GOLANI:** Sir Charles Groves conducts the Hallé Orchestra in Berlioz's Corsaire Overture and *Harold in Italy* (Rivka Golani, viola), Schumann's Manfred Overture and Liszt's Mazeppa symphonic poem.
Royal Concert Hall, Theatre Sq, Nottingham (0602 482626 or 419741), 7.30, £5-£8.50.

☆ **SUK DEBUT:** ON their first UK tour the Suk Chamber Orchestra of Prague offers Mozart's Divertimento K 138, Janáček's Suite for Strings, Dvořák's Serenade for Strings, all conducted by Josef Suk, who also solos in Haydn's D major Violin Concerto.
Barbican Centre, Silk St, London EC2 (01-638-8891). 7.45-9.30pm, £3.50-£9.

☆ **MELOS MUSIC:** As part of End Games the Melos Quartet presents Janáček's Quartet No 2 "Intimate Letters" and Schubert's last Quartet, D 887 in G.
Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928-3191, cc 01-928-8800), 7.45pm. £3-£10.

☆ **FAIR MILL MAID:** With David Owen-Norris at the piano *David Wilson-Johnson*, baritone, sings Schubert's *Die schöne Müllerin* cycle.
St John's, 8pm, £5-£10.

GALLERIES

EDWARD LEAR (1812-1888): A centenary exhibition of paintings and watercolours.
The Fine Art Society, 148 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-629 5116), Mon-Fri 9.30-5.30pm, Sat 10-1pm, free, until July 1.

BERYL COOK'S LONDON: See caption.
Portal Gallery, 16A Grafton Street, London W1 (01-629 3505). Mon-Fri 10-5.30pm, Sat 11-2pm, free, until July 2.

VAGIS ADELSHIN: Russian landscape paintings by an artist from Leningrad.
Grabowski Gallery Two, 84 Sloane Avenue, London SW3 (01-589 4627), Mon-Sat 11am-11pm, free, until July 31.

PAUL CEZANNE (1839-1906): An important show of the early work up to 1872.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 9052), Daily 10-6pm, £3, *until August 21.*

MALCOLM POYNTER: Recent surrealistic figure sculptures contrived from plaster casts of fish, fruit and vegetables.
Discreetly Bizzare Gallery, 166 New Cavendish Street, London W1 (01-631 3140), Tues-Sat 12-7.30pm, free, until June 17.



Beryl Cook (above), whose bosomy low life pictures have just been published as a book, opens an exhibition of street scenes at the Portal Gallery today (see listing). The book, Beryl Cook's London, presents a series of scenes around London: Smithfield market, the zoo, Soho. And the exhibition follows this with a series of humorous street scenes which show that this supposed naive painter is anything but.

WALKS

GOVERNMENT AND PARLIAMENT: meet Westminster tube, 11.30am, £3 (also next Mon).

GASLIT GHOST WALK: meet Temple tube, 7.00pm, £3 *(also next Mon).*

DICKENS' LONDON: meet Museum of London, 2.30pm, £3 (also next Mon).

OTHER EVENTS

THE PIMLICO POTTERS AND PAINTERS: Opening today, an exhibition of the work of local Pimlico *artists — amateur* and professional — who have met and worked together since the early 1970s.
The Old Town Hall Arts Centre, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire (0442-42827). *Until* June 18, Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, last day 10am-4pm. Free.

THAT LAND OF EXILES: SCOTS IN AUSTRALIA: The National Library's major summer exhibition, designed to *mark* Australia's Bicentennial, explores the historic links between Scotland and Australia.
National Library of Scotland, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh (031-226 4531). Until October, Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm, Sat 9.30am-1pm, Sun 2pm-5pm. Extended opening hours during the Edinburgh Festival. Free.

COLLEGE DEGREE SHOWS: Epsom School of Art and Design's graphic design degree show; exhibition of printmaking from Camberwell School of Art and Design: illustration diploma show from Harrow College of Higher Education.
Smith's Galleries, 56 Earlham Street, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-836 6253). Today until June 11, 11am-7pm. Free.

NATIONAL GALLERY FILM: Two films this lunchtime — *Turner* and *John Sell Cotman.*
National Gallery Lower Floor Theatre, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839 3321). 1pm. Free.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

SUMMERSCOPE: South Bank summer festival, with Pickett's Pageant programme of early music, Schubert and Britten concerts, Summerscope — Folk and Jazz. Advance Warning preview of Edinburgh Fringe, Zap Club performances from Brighton, Women At Work featuring women artists. July 23-Sept 16. General booking opens tomorrow.
Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191; 01-928 8800 credit card booking; 01-928 3002 for information).

SUMMER IN THE CITY: Booking for Barbican's annual family festival, with theme days including European Day, Ancient and Modern, Ladies Day, All That Jazz, American Day, Best of British, and The Great Outdoors. Performances by King's Singers, Michala Petri (recorder), Electric Phoenix and London Sinfonietta, The Fairer Sax, Loose Tubes; late night open air firework concert with the Agincourt music; concert to celebrate Armada; world première of new work by Carl Davis and William Rushton, *The Ascent of Everest.* July 31-Aug 7.
Barbican, Silk Street, London EC2. (01-638 8891)

LAST CHANCE

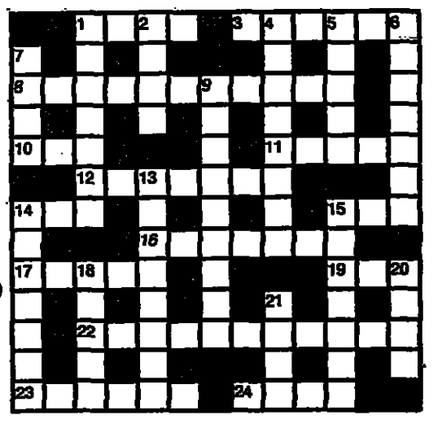
OLD MASTERS: 53 paintings from the Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection, dating from the 14th to 19th centuries, normally housed in Switzerland. Includes works by Dürer, El Greco, Canaletto, Watteau, Boucher, Hals, Rubens, Van Dyck, Caravaggio. Final week.
Royal Academy, Piccadilly, London W1. (01-734 9052)

BOND WINNERS

The winner of the £100,000 premium bond prize lives in Morayshire; the *number* is 16YL 140813. The £50,000 prize winner lives in Surrey (23AT 653424); the £25,000 prize winner lives in Barnet, north London (10AN 193589).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; **Films:** Geoff Brown; **Concerts:** Max Harrison; **Opera:** Hilary Finch; **Rock:** David Sinclair; **Jazz:** Clive Davis; **Dance:** John Percival; **Galleries:** David Lee; **Walks and Talks:** Greta Carslaw; **Other Events:** Judy Froshaug; **Bookings:** Anne Whitehouse.

CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 1582



ACROSS
1 Rubbish heap (4)
3 Muscle wrench (6)
8 First English actor knight (5,6)
10 Business (3)
11 Acquit (5)
12 Support (7)
14 Merriment (3)
15 Cash amount (3)
16 Passage (7)
17 Entice (5)
19 *Large deer (3)*
22 Unfortunate mishap (6,5)
23 "Greedy" sea bird (6)
24 -and terminer (4)

DOWN
1 Inhabitant (7)
2 Yucatan people (4)
4 Monarch's daughter (8)
5 Standpoint (5)
6 Quack remedy (7)
7 Carp type (4)
9 Controller (9)
13 Inadequate wages (8)
14 Appropriate (7)
15 Old liner (7)
18 White, red Burgundy (5)
20 Lips caress (4)
21 Remain (4)

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL 01-928 3191. CC (928 8800) Tonight 7.30 pm Festival Orchestra, Eschenbach, Pekka Salonen, Barry Douglas. Berlioz Ritirata Notturna di Madrid. Liszt Piano Concerto No 1. Beethoven Symphony No 4 (Romantic)

EXHIBITIONS

TIME TO GET READY FOR GHOSTS RETURN. A Christmas-time head exhibition. **CENTRAL HALL, WESTMINSTER.** June 6-10, 9am-5.30pm. Admission free. Call 01-889 5001 or write to P.J. Young, Freepost, South Nutfield, Surrey RH1 5BR.

OPERA & BALLET

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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.40 The Newlyweds (b/w) in *Half Dressed for Dinner*. Starring Robert Hutton and Elizabeth Fraser **6.55 Weather.**
7.00 Breakfast Time with John Stapleton and Kirsty Wark. Includes national and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; regional news and travel reports at **7.15, 7.45** and **8.15**; and weather at **7.25, 7.55** and **8.25. 8.55** Regional new and weather.
9.00 News and weather followed by **Dallas**: A mysterious stranger arrives at Southfork and makes a startling claim (r). (Ceefax) **9.50 Lyn Marshall's Everyday Yoga.** Lesson one: the Standing Stretch into Refresher (r).
10.00 News and weather followed by **The Flintstones** (r). **10.25 Children's BBC.** Andy Crane with programme news and birthday greetings followed by Play School presented by Floella Benjamin and Robin Kingsland (r).
10.50 Cricket: First Test. The morning session of the fourth day's play in the game at Trent Bridge between England and the West Indies. Includes news and weather at **10.55** and **12.00. 12.55** Regional news and weather.
1.00 One O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. Weather **1.30 Neighbours.** As Clive goes looking for his lost love Susan she arranges a secret rendezvous with Charlene.
1.50 Cricket: First Test. Further coverage from Trent Bridge.
3.00 The People's Court. Judge Joseph A. Wapner rules on the cases of a man who was attacked when serving legal papers; and a landlord whose curtains were eaten by a tenant's dog. **3.25 The People's Court — British Style.** Valerie Singleton previews the British series **3.30 The Pink Panther Show. 3.50 Scrapbag** and **His Tea-Time Telly** (r). **4.10 Heathcliffe** with **Catz and Co 4.30 Roland Rat — The Series II.** The guests are June Whitfield, Ray Alan and Then Jericho.
4.55 Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter. (Ceefax) **5.35 Neighbours** (r).
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather. **6.25 London Plus.**
7.00 Wogan. The guests are Judge James Pickles, Lord Elwyn Jones, Willie Shelltto and Margaret Rowland. Plus music from the Communards
7.35 Adventure — Ring of Fire. The first of a new seven-part adventure series in which two English brothers, Lorne and Lawrence Blair, travel the vast Indonesian archipelago on the black-sailed schooners of the Bugis tribe who are at sea for 10 months of the year. (Ceefax)
8.00 Don't Wait Up. (Ceefax) (see Choice)
8.30 In Sickness and in Health. Alf's home help, Winston, becomes a paying guest (r).
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis and Philip Hayton. Regional news and weather.
9.30 Panorama: Selling the Nuclear Dream. A look at the privatized nuclear power industry in the United States and how the British government plans to avoid the problems experienced in America. With reports from North Carolina, Chicago and Shoreham in New York State and interviews with the chairman of the CEGB, Lord Marshall and with the energy secretary, Cecil Parkinson.
10.10 Film 88. Among the films reviewed are *Bright Lights, Big City, Suspect* and *A Fish Called Wanda.*
10.40 Montreux Rock Festival 1988 (r).
11.30 Business Matters. Sir Pat Lowry on the future of labour relations in Britain.
11.55 Weather.

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Maths — Catastrophe Theory. Ends at **7.20. 9.00 Ceefax.**
8.30 Daytime on Two: the first of a political education series **10.00** A series for four- and five-year-olds **10.15** Gamelan music from Java **10.40** A holiday on a narrowboat **11.00** Sheelagh Gilbey and Wayne Larea examine the human body, with assistance from Geoff Capes **11.20** Walrus **11.45** Using a microcomputer to design a personal logo **11.50 Ceefax 12.08** British Social History: the 1926 General Strike **12.30** A portrait of a Muslim teenager, born in this country, living with her parents **1.00** Paul Coia learns about Viking civilization. (subtitled for the hearing impaired)
1.20 Hokey Cokey. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r). **1.35 Near and Far: Now and Then** (r).
2.00 News and weather followed by **Words and Pictures**
2.15 Songs of Praise from the Church of the Resurrection, Moscow (r). (Ceefax)
2.50 Noticeboard. Rob Curling previews radio and television programmes; Marian Foster has news of the Daytime Club
3.00 News and weather followed by **Cricket: First Test.** Tony Lewis introduces further coverage of the fourth day's play in the game at Trent Bridge between England and the West Indies. The commentators are Richie Benaud and Jack Bannister with summaries by Ray Illingworth and Tom Graveney. Includes news, regional news and weather at **3.50.**
6.10 Babylon 2. Comic actor Jimmy Mulville chooses classic clips from his favourite children's programmes including *Picture Book*, the *Flower Pot Men, Toy Town, Mr Pastry, Sir Prancelot and The Singing Ringing Tree.*
6.40 Behind the Beat. This week's edition of the black music magazine features interviews with Barry White and Dennis Brown who sings a number from his latest album *Senorita.* Plus the Reggae Philharmonic Orchestra, Was Not Was, Maxi Priest and Roger Troutman.
7.10 Open to Question Goes Live. Former Democratic presidential candidate, Senator Gary Hart, faces questioning from a studio audience of young people from all over Britain.
7.40 Open Space: Aggro-Chemicals. This final programme of the current series explores the arguments in favour of organic farming. In 1985 Devon farmer Mark Pudey took legal action against the Ministry of Agriculture over the use of organo-phosphates to control warble fly in his cattle. He won his case but lost his cows when the Ministry revoked his dairy farmer's licence. His researches for the Small Farmers' Association have convinced Purdey that crops, meat and milk produced using organo-phosphate are a hazard to health. He is now writing a book to expose the "widely ignored dangers" of the chemical and has won the backing of several influential figures including Sir Richard Body, Conservative Chairman of the House of Commons Agriculture Committee.
8.10 Horizon: A Good Test? A film following 13 young people with ambitions to go to sea as naval officers as they face two days of intensive testing at HMS *Sultan* in Portsmouth. A key part of the assessment is the psychological test — but is it reliable?. (Ceefax)
9.00 Film: Mrs Delafield Wants to Marry (1986) starring Katharine Hepburn, Harold Gould and Denholm Elliott. When the rich, widowed matriarch of an upright New England family announces that she has fallen in love with a respected doctor who happens to be Jewish, both their families go into a spin. Directed by George Schaefer. (Ceefax)
10.35 Newsnight includes a report from Martin Bell previewing tomorrow's crucial California primaries **11.20** Weather.
11.25 Cricket: First Test. Highlights of the fourth day's play in the game at Trent Bridge between England and the West Indies.
11.55 Open University: The Great Exhibition. Ends at **12.25am**

ITV/LONDON

6.00 TV-am begins with **The Morning Programme** introduced by Richard Keys; **7.00 Good Morning Britain.** After Nine includes guest, child psychotherapist, David Pithers on loss and separation.
9.25 Thames news.
9.30 Cross Wits. Word game **10.00 Santa Barbara 10.25 News** headlines.
10.30 The Time. . .The Place. Mike Scott continues with the hanging debate. Among the guests are MPs, religious representatives, the governor of Bedford Prison and Joseph Brown who spent 13 years in an American prison's Death Row and came within 15 hours of being executed before he was released — completely exonerated from the charges against him **11.10 Let's Pretend** to the story of *The Busker and the Gorilla* **11.25 Thames news** headlines.
11.30 Doctors and Patients. Coping with cancer, through the story of Dr Vicky Clement-Jones who was diagnosed to have inoperable ovarian cancer (r).
12.00 What's My Line. 12.30 The Sullivans.
1.00 News at One with Julia Somerville **1.20 Thames news.**
1.30 Film: The Flanagan Boy (1953,b/w) starring Barbara Payton and Tony Wright. Drama about a young boxing hope who ruins his chances when he becomes involved with the wife of a boxing promoter. Directed by Reginald Le Borg.
3.00 The Calling. The first in a series of three programmes examining the reasons in the fall in church congregations and the effect this is having on the clergy **3.25 Thames news** headlines **3.30 The Young Doctors.**
4.00 Tickle on the Tum. Village tales for children **4.10 The Telebugs** (r) **4.20 Young Krypton.** The first in a new series of a junior Krypton Factor. (Oracle)
4.45 Dramarama: Bubbles. Bobby and his sister Betty find a magic wishing stone in the attic of Aunt Lucy's house. (Oracle) **5.15 Winner Takes All.** Family quiz
5.45 News 6.00 Thames news.
6.30 Reporting London includes a report on ME, the controversial illness which has resulted in some patients being admired to psychiatric wards; and on the capital's demoralized teachers.
7.00 Nature Watch. Julian Pettifer meets Dr Luigi Bortano, an expert on wild Italian wolves. (Oracle)
7.30 Coronation Street. Gail realizes that Ivy is having second thoughts about the wedding. (Oracle)
8.00 Chance in a Million: Winning Streak. Comedy series starring Simon Callow and Brenda Blethyn (r).
8.30 World in Action: Bitter Sweets. A behind-the-scenes investigation into how Rowntrees, the York-based company, successfully penetrated the European confectionary market only to be sold short by City of London Investors.
9.00 Queenie. The second and final part of the drama based on Michael Korda's fictionalized biography of the actress Merle Oberon. (Oracle) (continues after the news)
10.00 News at Ten 10.30 Thames news.
10.35 Queenie continued.
12.05am I Spy. Vintage espionage series.
1.00 Film: Holocaust 2000 (1977) starring Kirk Douglas and Simon Ward. Thriller about a plan to build a thermo-nuclear power station on a Third World site that is cursed. Directed by Alberto de Martino.
2.55 News headlines followed by **World Championship Boxing.** The WBC Middleweight championship bout between Thomas Hearns and Iran Barkley, live from the Las Vegas Hilton.
5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends **6.00.**

CHANNEL 4

9.30 Schools.
12.00 Just for Fun. For children.
12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Susannah Simons
1.00 Open Exchange. Weekly magazine series for Open College learners, presented by Lesley Judd, Linbert Spencer and James Whale.
2.00 The Late Late Show. Dublin's music and chat show presented by Gay Byrne. A special edition celebrating the 25th anniversary of The Chieftains. Among those appearing are Christy Moore, Donal Lunny, Van Morrison, the Dublin City Ballet and the RTE Symphony Orchestra.
3.35 Black Forest Clinic. The return of the drama serial set in a German clinic.
4.30 Countdown. Friday's winner of the words and numbers game is challenged by Alan Harvey, a musician from Rotherham. Richard Whiteley is the questionmaster assisted by Nigel Rees with the dictionary.
5.00 The Munsters (b/w). Vintage American comedy series about a ghoulish family. Starring Fred Gwynne, Yvonne De Carlo and Al Lewis.
5.30 The Beverly Hillbillies. Comedy series about an oil-rich mountain family who move to Beverly Hills. Starring Buddy Ebsen, Max Baer and Irene Ryan.
6.00 Same Difference. This first of a new topical magazine series of interest to the disabled, presented by Elly Wilkie and Peter White, includes an investigation into the exploitation of disabled people at work, particularly the government funded sheltered workshops. Among the guests is Nabil Shaban, perhaps the best-known disabled actors.
6.30 The Marketing Mix — Social Variety. A new four-part series following on from the previous *Marketing Mix* series by extending into social marketing, health, education, religion, politics, the arts, charities, library and information services. (Oracle)
7.00 Channel 4 News.
7.50 Comment followed by **Weather.**



In the hot seat: Comic Stephen Fry reveals all in Room 113 (C4, 12.10am)

8.00 Brookside. In Shrewsbury Anna and Brian Collins get closer together; in Liverpool, Christopher and Gordon are followed by a gang when they leave a club; and Arthur is pushed into putting the question of women's membership to the club at the top of the next committee meeting's agenda. (Oracle)
8.30 Film: Bitter Harvest (1981) starring Ron Howard and Art Carney. A made-for-television drama, based on fact, about a young dairy farmer's efforts to discover what is killing-off his herd and affecting his infant daughter. His investigations meet with non co-operation from state agriculture officials. Directed by Roger Young.
10.15 Go Fishing. Part five of the six-programme series in which Norfolk angler and writer John Wilson illustrates the joys of coarse angling. Tonight he fishes for roach on a 30-acre lake, a tidal river and a tiny stream. (Oracle)
10.50 The Eleventh Hour: E Etc. An experimental piece made by film-maker David Larcher (r).
12.10am Network 7. A repeat of yesterday's programme which included a feature on the Harlem Globetrotters and an interview with Stephen Fry. Ends at **2.10.**

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today **6.35-7.00** News followed by Neighbours **11.55** The Sky at Night **12.15am-12.30** News and weather **SCOTLAND: 10.50am** Sesame Seo **11.00** Cricket (joining network) **6.35pm-7.00** Reporting Scotland **NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.35pm** Today's Sport **5.40-6.00** Inside Ulster **6.35** Neighbours **6.58-7.00** Inside Ulster Update **ENGLAND: 6.35pm-7.00** Regional news magazines

ANGLIA As London except:**9.25am-6.30** Anglia News and Weather **1.25pm** Anglia News and Weather **1.30-3.30** Film: The Spanish Gardener **6.00** About Anglia **6.30-7.00** 9 to 5 **12.25am** Kojak **1.00-2.55** Film: Holocaust 2000.

BORDER As London except:**9.25am-6.30** Border News **1.20pm** Border News **1.30** Film: D Day, 6th of June **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Lookaround Monday **6.30-7.00** Take the High Road **12.05am** America's Top Ten **12.30** Weather, close.

CENTRAL As London except:**9.25am-6.30** Central News **12.00** Gardening Time **12.30pm** Home Cookery Club **12.35-1.00** The Young Doctors **1.20** Central News **1.30** Film: The Trap **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Central News **6.35-7.00** Heart of the Country **12.05am** Prisoner: Cell Block H **1.00-2.55** Film. Rhinestone.

CHANNEL As London except:**9.25am-6.30** For Openers **12.30pm-1.00** Arcade **1.20** Channel News **1.30** Film: Silent Dust **3.00-3.30** Chain Letters **6.00** Channel Report **6.30-7.00** The Paul Cole Show **12.05am** The Channon & Ball Video Show **1.05** Randall & Hopkirk (Deceased) **2.05** Company **2.10-2.55** The Intrepid Mr Twig.

GRANADA As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Granada Reports **1.20pm** Granada Reports **1.30** Film: Melody **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Granada Reports **6.30-7.00** Who's The Boss **12.05am** Prisoner Cell Block H **1.05** Quiz Night **1.35** Film. Raid on Entebbe **3.55-5.00** World Championship Boxing.

HTV WEST As London except:**9.25am-6.30** HTV News **1.20pm** HTV News **1.30-2.30** Film: Stella Dallas **6.00 7.00** HTV News **12.05am** Cover Story **12.35** Weather. close.

HTV WALES As HTV West except:**6.00pm-7.00** Wales at Six.

SCOTTISH As London except:**9.25am-9.30** On Air **12.00** Gardening Time **12.30pm-1.00** What's My Line? **1.20** Scottish News **1.30** Film: All Night Long! **3.15** Cartoon Time **3.30-4.00** Mu Merlin **6.00** Scotland Today **6.20-7.00** Scottish Action **12.05am** Prisoner Cell Block H **1.00** The Forum Presents **2.00** Film: The Duellists **3.55-5.00** World Championship Boxing.

TSW As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Today News and Weather **12.30pm-1.00** A Country Practice **1.20** Today News and Weather **1.30-3.30** Film: Payroll **6.00** Today **6.30-7.00** Wild About the West **12.05am** The Pallisser and Pitmark Show **12.35** Postscript **12.40** Weather, close.

TVS As London except:**9.25am-9.30** TVS News **12.00** The Spice of Life **12.30pm-1.00** Arcade **1.20** TVS News and Weather **1.30** Film. Silent Dust **3.00-3.30** Chain Letters **6.00** Coast to Coast **6.30-7.00** Challenge of the South **12.05am** The Channon & Ball Video Show **1.05** Randall & Hopkirk (Deceased) **2.05** Company **2.10-2.55** The Intrepid Mr Twig.

TYNE TEES As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Regional News **1.20pm** Regional News **1.25** Lookaround **1.30-3.30** Film. Edge of Doom **5.00-7.00** Northern Life **12.05am** Epilogue **12.15-6.00** Jobfinder.

ULSTER As London except:**9.25am-9.30** The Day Ahead **1.20pm** Ulster Newstime **1.30** Film: Thunder Bay **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Summer Edition **6.15** Which Way Now? **6.30-7.00** The Ulster Way **12.05am** Movie Makers **12.30** News, close.

YORKSHIRE As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Calendar News **12.30pm-1.00** The Young Doctors **1.20** Calendar News **1.30** Film: D-Day The Sixth of June **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Calendar **6.30-7.00** Hobb's Choice **12.05am** Film: The Black Tulip **2.30-2.55** Throb.

S4C Starts:**9.30am** Yegolion **12.00** Countdown **12.30pm** Business Daily **1.00** Open College **2.00** The Late Late Show **3.35** The Little Darlings **4.15** Lluniau Dydd Llun **4.30** Helta Drysor **5.00** Cartoon Carnival **5.30** Listening Eye **6.00** Land of Hope **7.00** Newyddion Saith **7.30** Tudalen 88 **8.00** Am Y Bocad **8.30** Y Byd Ar Bedwar **9.05** Waldheim: A Commission of Inquiry **12.10am** Network 7 **2.10 Close.**

RTE 1 Starts:**1.35pm** News Headlines followed by Bosco **2.05** The Smurfs **2.30** Baileobeag **2.35** The Littlest Hobo **3.00** Emmerdale Farm **3.30** Film: Swiss Family Robinson **5.45** News **6.00** The Angelus **6.01** Red Sings **6.30** The Centenary of the Motor Car **7.00** Cow Country **7.55** A Very British Coup **9.00** News **9.15** A Very British Coup (cntd) **11.15** Tales of the Unexpected **11.45** News **11.50** Close.

RTE 2 Starts:**5.30pm** Mr Belvedere **6.00** Country Practice **6.30** GAA Match of the Day **7.30** Coronation Street **8.00** Nuacht **8.05** At the Met **11.35** Nightlight **11.40** Close.



A real tonic: Tony Britton, Dinah Sheridan and Nigel Havers as the Latimers provide painless humour (BBC1, 8.00pm)

It's just what the doctors ordered

TELEVISION CHOICE

● The essence of situation comedy is to take serious, sombre and even tragic events and exorcise the pain. Think of the Steptoe relationship or the gallant, bungling amateurs of *Dad's Army* who, if the Germans really had invaded in 1940, would have been wiped out in five minutes. Imagine, played as straight drama, the story of a respectable middle-class family torn apart by not one, but two, broken marriages. Where the father and the son, abandoned by their spouses, are thrown back on each other's company to manage the best they can. Not a great deal to laugh about there, you might think. But run the plot as a sitcom called **Don't Wait Up** (BBC1, 8.00pm) and they will be rolling off the settee. *Don't Wait Up* is back tonight for its fifth series and showing no sign of strain. Surprisingly, perhaps, the writer George Layton is hinting that both the Doctors Latimer may finally be about to end their reluctant periods of bachelorhood. Toby (Tony Britton) has taken Angela (Dinah Sheridan) off for a second honeymoon and Tom (Nigel Havers) announces his forthcoming marriage to his dad's secretary, Madeline. But experienced sitcom watchers will know this is nothing but bluff. Should Toby and Tom return to the married state there will be no series left. Like the Steptoes they may bicker, but fundamentally they need each other. So expect Layton to string things out for a while longer, at least until the show reaches its final episode. Meanwhile sit back and continue to enjoy the engaging charm and polished playing of Britton and Havers and Layton's ability to produce a consistent flow of painless humour from the two timeless comic strategies of embarrassment and misunderstanding.

Peter Waymark

A bottomless well

RADIO CHOICE

● In an irresistibly attractive edition of **Down Your Way** (Radio 4, 11.00am), recorded in the Suffolk seaside town of Southwold, master of wine Jancis Robinson rhapsodizes so much over the resort's famous triangular butter buns that I feared she would not have enough enthusiasm left for the 1986 Côte du Rhone that is the speciality of the local wine warehouse or for nearby Blythburgh church where the vicar is slimming to play Christ in a Mystery play or for the prep school whose head takes pupils on a midnight touch-a-tombstone race around a churchyard. No need to worry though. Miss Robinson's well of affection for Southwold is bottomless.

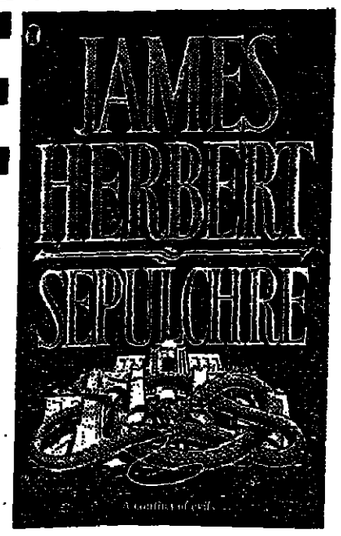
● Granted that nothing can equal the genuine experience of a night at the Glyndebourne opera, there is an interesting approximation tonight that you might like to try. And it won't cost you a quarter as much. All you need is champagne, lobster or cold chicken, some operatically sympathetic friends, a clement evening for you to sit in the garden — and a radio set. You quaff and munch before the curtain goes up, and in the interval. But the make-believe doesn't end there. You must also forget that acts one and two of Janacek's **Katya Kabanova** (Radio 3, 7.30pm) were recorded earlier in the evening. No such problem arises with act three because this goes out live, so the illusion of being there is complete.



Jancis Robinson: Rhapsody on a resort (R4, 11.00am)

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Radio 1

MW (medium wave) Stereo on VHF (see below)
5.30 Adrian John **7.00** Simon Mayo with the Breakfast Show **9.00** Simon Bates **12.30** Newsbeat **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Johnnie Walker **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** Bruno Brookes **7.30** Liz Kershaw **10.00-12.00** John Peel **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2 **4.00** am As Radio 2 **10.00** pm As Radio 1 **12.00-4.00** am As Radio 2

Radio 2

MW (medium wave) Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
4.00 Steve Madden **5.30** Chris Stuart **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05** David Jacobs **2.00** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Adrian Love **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Alan Dell with Dance Band Days and **7.30** Big Band Era **8.30** Big Band Special **9.00** Humphrey Lyttelton **10.00** Some of These Days (new series) **10.30** The Monday Movie Quiz **11.00** Brian Matthew with Round Midnight **1.00** Charles Nove with Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music

WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST. **6.00** Newsdesk **6.30** Power and Privilege — The British Establishment **7.00** World News **7.09** Twenty-four Hours **7.30** From Coca to Cocaine **8.00** World News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Behind the Wall **8.30** Anything Goes **9.00** World News **9.09** Review of the British Press **9.15** Good Books **9.30** Financial News **9.36** Sports Roundup **9.45** Peebles' Choice **10.00** News Summary **10.01** Power and Privilege — The British Establishment **10.30** Londres Midi **11.00** World News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** Sportsworld **11.30** The Ken Bruce Show **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** Brain of Britain 1988 **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** World News **1.09** Twenty-four Hours **1.30** Recording of the Week **1.45** Sportsworld **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Future Imperfect **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** Power and Privilege — The British Establishment **3.45** The Music of Weber **4.00** World News **4.09** News About Britain **4.15** English by Radio **4.45** Londres Soir **5.30** Heute Aktuell **6.00** Programmes in German **7.00** Outlook **7.30** Stock Market Report **7.45** Peebles' Choice **8.00** World News **8.09** Twenty-four Hours **8.30** Sports International **9.00** News Summary **9.01** Network UK **9.15** This Particular Place **9.30** The Vintage Chart **10.00** World News **10.09** The World Today **10.25** Presentation Programme **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** World News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** The Politics of Laughter **11.30** Multitrack 1 **12.00** World News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Music of the Royal Courts **1.00** News Summary **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Short Story **1.45** This Particular Place **2.00** World News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** Network UK **2.30** Sports International **3.00** World News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** The World Today **3.30** Six Four Eight News **3.35** Financial News **3.45** Morgenmagazin **4.45** The World Today **5.00** World News **5.30** London Mate.

Radio 3



Nancy Gustafson: Live from Glyndebourne (R3, 7.30pm)

6.55 Weather, News headlines
7.00 Morning Concert: Vivaldi (Concerto in F for recorder and strings, RV 442: Orchestra of the 18th Century under Frans Bruggen); Purcell (Suite No 6 in D; Kenneth Gilbert, harpsichord); Handel (Concerto Grosso in G, Op 6 No 1: English Concert under Pinnock)
7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (contd): Sibelius (Overture to Karelia: Gothenburg SO under Jarvi); Chopin (Fantasy on Polish Airs: Philharmonia under Marriner, with Mischa Dichter, piano); Elgar (The Swimmer: LSO under Barbirolli with Janet Baker, mezzo); Mozart (Symphony No 34 in C, K 338: Concertgebouw Orchestra under Harnoncourt)
8.30 News
8.35 Composers of the Week: Telemann, the last decade (1757-67). Suite burlesque from Don Quixote: Berlin Academy for Ancient Music; Donneröde: English Chamber Orchestra under Joly with Gillian Fisher (soprano) Ameral Gunson (mezzo-soprano) Martyn Hill (tenor) Stephen Roberts and Richard Jackson (basses) (r)
9.35 Mozart and Copland: Erich Gruenberg (violin) and John McCabe (piano) play Mozart's Sonata in E flat (K 481) and Copland's Sonata
10.20 Russian Liturgical Music: BBC Singers under John Poole perform Rachmaninov's Three Anthems from Liturgy of St John Chrysötom, Op 31; and Tchaikovsky's Four Anthems (sung in Russian)
10.55 (MW only) Test Match Special: Ball by ball commentary. Until **6.30pm**
10.55 C P E Bach and Krommer: Netherlands Wind Ensemble play Bach's Five Marches for wind instruments, and Krommer's Partita in E flat, Op 69
11.20 BBC Philharmonic Concert: Gyorgy Lehel conducts Mozart (Symphony No 39 in E flat, K 543); Mussorgsky (Songs and Dances of Death); and Brahms (Symphony No 2 in D). With Kolos Kovats (bass). Includes **12.10** Interval reading
1.00 News
1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: Live from St John's, Smith Square, London. Salvatore Accardo (violin) and Bruno Canino (piano) play Beethoven's Sonata in F, Op 24, Spring; and Prokofiev's Sonata No 2 in D, Op 94a
2.00 Music Weekly (r)
2.45 BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra: Louis Frémaux conducts Milhaud's Le Carnaval d'Alx and Debussy's La Mer. With Peter Lawson (piano)
3.30 Bach: Goldberg Variations: Stanislav Heller (harpsichord) plays Variations 1-30. Includes **4.10** Interval reading
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: Brian Kay with a bouquet of floral music
6.30 Music for Organ: Christopher Herrick plays Bourgeois's Serenade, Op 22, and Variations on a theme by Herbert Howells, Op 87; and Lemare's Concert Fantasia on the Sailor's Hornpipe, British Grenadiers, and Rule Britannia, Op 91
7.00 News
7.05 Third Ear: Discussion on the art of portrait painting
7.30 Katya Kabanova: Nikolaus Lehnoff's production of Janacek's opera for Glyndebourne (sung in Czech). With the London Philharmonic Orchestra under Andrew Davis, and Nancy Gustafson (soprano) in the title role. Includes **8.45** Andrew Davis talking with Stephen Johnson about the production (see Choice)
9.50 The Living Poet: David Constantine reads some of his poetry
10.15 Mozart: Christopher Kite plays Sonata in A minor (K 310) and Sonata in A (K 331) on a Viennese fortepiano by Johann Fritz
11.00 Composers of the Week: Stravinsky (1882-1971) (r)
12.00 News
12.05 Close

Radio 4

LW (long wave) (s) Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping Forecast
6.00 News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day
6.30 Today: Presented by Peter Hobday and John Humphrys, incl **6.30, 7.30, 8.30** News Summary **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.00, 8.00** News **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day
8.35 The Week on 4: Harriet Cass previews the week's programmes
8.42 Phil Smith: A search for Superman in the BBC Sound Archives **8.57** Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Start the Week: Michael Parkinson's guests include writer Jilly Cooper, songwriter Tim Rice, and comedian Billy Connolly (s)
10.00 News; Money Box: with Louise Botting (r)
10.30 Morning Story: A Waitress called Florence by Hildegarde Wright. Read by Tim Reynolds
10.45 Daily Service: From the Chapel of Dean Close School, Cheltenham (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way with Jancis Robinson in Southwold, East Suffolk (see Choice) (r)
11.50 Poetry Please! Presented by Charles Tomlinson. With readers Patrick Romer and Diana Bishop
12.00 News; You and Yours with Debbie Thrower
12.25 Brain of Britain 1988: Robert Robinson chairs the nationwide general knowledge quiz. First round North (s) **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One: Presented by Brian Widlake
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Includes two writers discussing the effect living in a remote area of Canada has on their work, Julia Neuberger on a trust set up to finance equal pay cases brought by women who would otherwise be unable to afford the legal costs
3.00 News; I Do Not Like Thee Dr Fell: Play by Bernard Farrell (s) (r)
4.30 Kaleidoscope: Paul Allen reports on the growing number of private publishers printing the work that multi-national conglomerates refuse (r)
5.00 PM: Presented by Valerie Singleton and Bill Frost **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 News; Financial Report
6.30 The News Quiz: Barry Took hosts the humorous quiz based on the week's news with Richard Ingrams, Alan Coren, Victoria Mather and Frances Coverdale (s)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 The Food Programme: Derek Cooper reports on The Rowett Research Institute in Aberdeen, Britain's first national nutrition centre (r)
7.45 Science on 4: Peter Evans with the latest scientific developments (r)
8.15 Ceremony of Innocence: Play by Lee Gallagher about a young Jewess and a down-at-heel journalist who find refuge and love in a small Irish town. With Elizabeth Morton and Ian McElhinney (s)
9.45 Kaleidoscope: Includes a discussion between Bel Mooney and Kate Figes about the future of feminist book publishing; plus reviews of the Beryl Cook retrospective at Plymouth Art Gallery, and the Welsh National Opera's production of *La Traviata*; and a feature on Light Fingered Gentry, a flute and guitar duo at the Royal Festival Hall
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Riceyman Steps by Arnold Bennett (6 of 15). Read by Martin Jarvis (r) **10.29** Weather
10.30 The World Tonight: Presented by Richard Kershaw
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Today in Parliament
11.45 The Pied Piper of Hamelin by Robert Browning, read by Robert Powell (r)
12.00 News **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast
VHF as above except: **11.00am-12.00** For Schools **11.00** Introducing Science Extra **11.20** Let's Move! **11.40** The Music Box **11.50** See For Yourself **1.55-3.00pm** For Schools. **1.55** Listening Corner **2.05** Playtime **2.20** Science Scope **2.40** Whirligig **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30** Open University **11.30** Open Forum **11.50** Buffon — an Englightenment Scientist? **12.10am** Music Interlude **12.30-1.10** Schools Night-Time. Business and Practical French

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;VHF-88-90.2. **Radio 2:** 693kHz/433m;909kHz/330m;VHF-88-90.2. **Radio 3:** 1215kHz/247m; VHF-90-92.5. **Radio 4:** 198kHz/1515m;VHF-92-95. **LBC:** 1152kHz/261m;VHF 97.3. **Capital:** 1548kHz/194m;VHF95.8. **BBC Radio London:** 1458kHz/206m;VHF 94.9; **World Service:** MF646kHz/463m.

UK denies cash offer to Iran for hostages

By Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Correspondent

Two ministers yesterday denied that a £1.8 million compensation offer the British Government has made to Iran for damage to its embassy in London was part of a deal to free British hostages in Beirut.

But the denials also carried an insight into the Government's approach to the hostage problem. Instead of trying to negotiate their release, the plan is to improve relations with Iran and see where it leads. The key phrase "from an acorn grows an oak", used in a radio interview by Mr David Mellor, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, showed the direction of Government thinking.

Both Mr Mellor and Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, insisted in separate interviews that there was no change in Britain's policy of refusing to make deals. The offer to pay the estimated cost of rebuilding the Iranian Embassy, gutted by fire when the SAS stormed it in 1980 to release hostages, was made in May last year. At the time relations were too tense for talks to be held, but there had been earlier rounds of face-to-face negotiations in 1984, 1985 and 1986.

Now after what amounts to a cooling-off period, an Iranian delegation is to meet Foreign Office officials in London on Wednesday.

The British offer is part of a package deal which also covers a British demand for £900,000 compensation for damage to diplomatic property in Tehran during and after the Iranian revolution of 1979.

Sir Geoffrey said that he had nothing to do with efforts to obtain the release of British hostages believed to be held by groups in Beirut over which Iran has influence.

Mr Mellor angrily dismissed as "absolute rubbish" a suggestion by a Labour MP that the Government could be following the example of France. Although M Jacques Chirac, then Prime Minister, denied any ransom was paid for the three hostages, their release last month coincided with an agreement to restore Franco-Iranian links.

The French and British situations are different because Britain did not break off relations with Iran during a row last year over the arrest and beating-up of a British diplomat in Tehran. Instead they were "mothballed".

Iran is said to be keen to restore normal links. There has been speculation this is its price for using its influence with Hezbollah, which is believed to be holding Mr Terry Waite, Mr John McCarthy and Mr Brian Keenan.

Britain's offer to Iran:
- **To pay Tehran £1.8 million to repair its Embassy in London. The figure is based on Property Services Agency estimate;**
- **Government to pay Westminster City Council £200,000 for work to make the damaged building safe;**
- **Tehran to pay the British Government £900,000 for damage to buildings in British Embassy compound in Tehran, British Council buildings in several Iranian cities and other British government property, including a car.**

Mr Mellor yesterday repeated the British argument that any government which has influence with hostage-takers should use it without asking anything in return.

He was asked on the BBC Radio 4 programme *The World This Weekend* to explain why the Foreign Office had described suggestions of a link between the two issues as "preposterous". He said the word was used "in the context of the suggestion that these low-level discussions are somehow a cover for negotiations of the kind that it is suggested one or two other European governments got involved in."

Leadership candidate on sticky wicket



Off duty: Mr Alan Beith, at the wicket in a game of family cricket, takes a respite from the contest for the leadership of the Social and Liberal Democrats, apparently unconcerned by an opinion poll suggesting that his rival, Mr Paddy Ashdown, is heading for a landslide victory.

Mr Beith, MP for Berwick-upon-Tweed, was relaxing with his wife Barbara and his two children, Christoper, aged 11, and Caroline, aged eight, at Ingram Valley, in the Northumberland National Park, a few miles from his home in Whittingham.

According to a MORI poll for Times Newspapers, Mr Beith is trailing Mr Ashdown by 9 per cent to 47 per cent among SLD supporters.

Mr Beith received less support in the poll than Mr Robert Maclennan, the present joint leader of the party.

With all the signs that the contest has become a straight personality battle between Mr Ashdown and Mr Beith, the Beith camp was expressing confidence that his support will rise sharply during the eight-week campaign.

It was also stressed that Mr Beith's support was likely to be stronger among the party membership, who will cast the votes in the contest, than among the general public.

Mr Beith is not unhappy to start as the underdog and believes the gap will soon narrow.

(Photograph by Bryn Colton).

68 killed in Soviet disaster

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"They were scattered like fluff," he explained.

The disaster was the worse Soviet rail accident since 106 people were killed in a train crash last August in the southern Russian coal-mining town of Kamensk-Shakhtinsky, but then it took nearly five months before the death toll was revealed.

Yesterday, Tass reported that three freight wagons with an aggregate capacity of 120 tonnes had been blasted into the air when the accident occurred. The train was carrying industrial explosives for use in geology, mining, and construction.

The blast in Arzamas brought down part of the station and set fire to wooden houses near to the 164-ft wide crater. In addition to the buildings destroyed, some 250 more were damaged and 600 Soviet families left homeless.

The windows of the town's Communist Party headquarters, situated 1¼ miles away, were blown out and damage was caused to both a gas pipeline and transport facilities in the town. A 230-bed field hospital was set up on the spot, with surgeons airlifted in from Moscow and Gorky.

Western experts said last night that Soviet industry was notorious for its poor safety record. But it was not clear exactly why the blast had occurred. The 14-man investigating commission included officials from the Soviet Defence, Interior and Heath Ministries.

Mr Vedernikov said that the local population had been arriving at the disaster scene to donate blood to the injured.

Income tax reforms 'critical'

Lawson on target for 20p

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Tax reforms were changing the "very culture" of Britain and the effects would continue for many years, Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, says today.

He says the Treasury was not working on any further reductions in the top rate of income tax of 40p in the pound, probably for the lifetime of this Parliament. However, it would devote its efforts to the achievement of the new target for the basic rate of 20p in the pound.

In a summing up of the tax achievements of his and Sir Geoffrey Howe's chancellorships, Mr Lawson adds to speculation that he could soon be moving from his present post.

He stresses the role of tax reform in improving economic performance. "Pretty well everywhere you go, tax reform is now seen as an essential, although difficult, instrument for improving economic performance. And it has played a critically important part in Britain's economic renaissance."

He says in in a pamphlet, *Tax Reform — the Government's Record*, published today by the Conservative Political Centre: "Economic policies take years, often generations, to have their full effects. And tax reform, like other reforms we have introduced, is in the end about changing the very culture of this country. There can be no doubt that this is happening, and will continue for years to come.

"We have brought the top rate down to 40p in the pound, which most people will regard as reasonable. So for the first time in our adult lives, Britain is a low-tax country.



Mr Lawson: Tax reforms critical to Britain

"People will take time to adjust, but it is fair to expect that the tax system will gradually recovery the legitimacy of which it was deprived during a period when it was hijacked by the social engineers. And that will be a momentous change."

Mr Lawson says there has been a decisive shift in the way in which companies are taxed, from taxes on employment to taxes on profits. There has also been a reduction of 4.5 percentage points in the proportion of total tax and national insurance accounted for by employers' national insurance payments, balanced by a similar increase in the proportion derived from corporation tax.

For individuals, the tax burden has been shifted from income to spending, with the revenue from income tax down by 8.5 percentage points as a share of total tax and national insurance receipts, and the revenue from VAT up by 7 percentage points.

Fears on solo trip

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time at sea by a woman, and the greatest distance at sea by a woman. She is also the first woman to sail alone around the five main capes in the southern hemisphere.

For her welcome there was a reunion with her parents and boyfriend. The Royal Australian Navy band played *Waltzing Matilda*.

But there was bitter disappointment when she learnt that her achievement has so far raised only £16,000 for charity to help fight drug addiction among young people. "That's very disappointing," she said.

Later, at a news conference, Miss Cottee spoke of her fear when on three occasions she thought she would die. The first was near Cape Horn when mountainous seas swamped the boat and the boombroke. The second was when a sudden squal in the Indian Ocean turned the yacht on its side. The third was when she awoke to see a merchant ship bearing down on her. She fired a flare just in time for the skipper to change course.

Air delays build up for holidaymakers

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Aircraft returning to Britain from across the Continent were affected by the jam on the tarmac. Paris was one of the worst airports with dozens of blankets being taken out of cupboards, where they had been placed since the last time airtraffic controllers struck. Airport officials were preparing for the impromptu campers by putting out 850 extra chairs, handing out bedding on request and opening cafes and restaurants round the clock. Extra supplies of food was being drafted in.

Luton Airport, which handles huge numbers of holiday flights during the summer, reported three-hour delays on Spanish flights and Glasgow Airport sent stranded passengers to the nearby Excelsior Hotel for breakfast yesterday. One flight was grounded for 18 hours.

At Manchester, however, a spokesman said: "On the whole their spirit has been tremendous. Last night about 5,000 people were here and there were no major problems. We anticipate further chaos tonight, because of the snowball effect of the delays. But we can't tell passengers not to report to the airport on time, because some flights are leaving after only relatively short delays.

"It couldn't come at a worse time for us though — Friday, Saturday and Sunday are the peak periods for travel to Spanish destinations."

Mrs Winifred Harrison, aged 60, of Droylsden, Greater Manchester, who faced a delay of at least 11 hours on her flight to Ibiza, said: "It has cost me £32 in airport charges. I only hope I won't be telling friends I had a lovely time at Manchester Airport in two weeks time."

Another passenger bound for Spain, Mr John Williams, 36, of Greasby, Wirral, Merseyside said: "I've sent my family home — you can't keep children here for 12 hours. They'd go mad and so would everyone else."

Flow control was introduced in Britain last year. The system is designed to ensure that planes make straight, safe flights. It does not rule out stacking.

Assad pledge to US

Washington (AFP) — President Assad of Syria has assured the United States of his help in winning the release of US hostages held in Lebanon, Mr Vernon Walters, US Ambassador to the United Nations, said at the weekend.

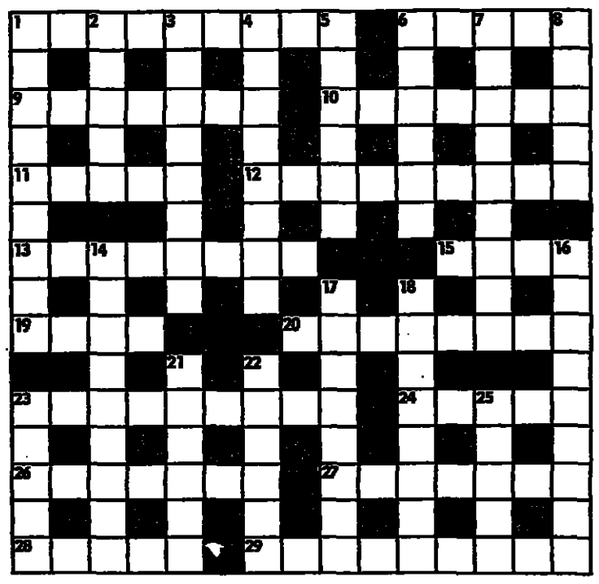
Mr Walters, returning to the United States after his fifth trip to Syria to discuss the hostage situation, said President Assad had told him: "I can confirm that I will do everything I can to return the hostages to you safely."

The Ambassador also said he did not believe the 17 foreign hostages held in Lebanon had been in great danger during recent fighting between the Iranian-backed Hezbollah militia and other Shia Muslim factions.

"The people that are holding (the hostages) know that they are a pretty precious commodity and I would think (they) would tend to keep them safe," Mr Walters said in an interview with Cable News Network.

Mr Walters said his talks with the Syrian leader had given him hope because President Assad seemed to understand the importance of releasing the hostages.

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ACROSS
1 Excitement as tension explodes (9).
6 Being amusing, it dispels gloom (5).
9 About to cut a prison stretch (7).
10 Check, blow up, and fire a lot (7).
11 A Belgian university subject (5).
12 Given tranquillisers, a bull in a frenzy lies captured (9).
13 The diversion of profits (8).
15 A highlight of the night that's clear (4).
19 Romance found in retirement in Israel (4).
20 A sign of distress brings rent reduction (8).
23 Talk the underworld way (9).
24 Humble woman embracing a Mohammedan leader (5).
26 Pole, having to fly, packing (7).
27 A people backing one could be a bloomer (7).
28 It's an odd sort of stuff (5).
29 Patient attention expected from 2 *dn* (9).

Concise crossword, page 22

DOWN
1 Working steam-mill of no great importance (5-4).
2 She tends to rush over certain points (5).
3 "Hell is full of musical —: music is the brandy of the damned" (Shaw) (8).
4 Thought the holy man about 51 a visionary (8).
5 A head with totally unsatisfactory delivery (2-4).
6 God against Russell's view of ghosts (6).
7 *Trial — a dog's involved*, a fighter (9).
8 Some actresses do their own hair (5).
14 Convey delight (9).
16 Substitute for military personnel now (9).
17 Refuse to put a philosopher in jug? Quite the reverse! (8).
18 The outlook for a class of people going about quietly (8).
21 A moving proposal (6).
22 Clever bishop, on the conservative side (6).
23 Bearing in some animals, administers medication (5).
25 A sound opener to admire (5).

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WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

LAMPADEDROMY
a. Pollarding trees
b. A nocturnal relay race
c. A debating exercise

AZTEC TWO-STEP
a. A stepped ziggurat
b. A kind of human sacrifice
c. Diarrhoea

RIPIENO
a. The full orchestra
b. A river in spate
c. Italian court dress

JORRAM
a. A bumper of drink
b. A boating song
c. A sheep/goat cross

Answers on page 22, column 1

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 17,687 will appear next Saturday

WEATHER

Many eastern and south-eastern areas of England will have a dry bright day with some sunshine, reasonably warm by afternoon. Thickening cloud and outbreaks of rain already affecting Northern Ireland and the far west of Scotland will spread eastwards during the day. By late afternoon rain is likely to reach all but the far north-east of Scotland, Wales, and parts of western England. There will be fog on hills and some coasts. Becoming breezy in some northern areas. Outlook: rather unsettled.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	19	66	c	Locarno	11	52	r
Akrotiri	24	75	s	Luxembg	14	57	f
Alex'dria	25	77	f	Madrid	20	68	s
Algiers	23	73	s	Majorca	21	70	c
Amst'dm	14	57	c	Malaga	24	75	s
Athens	25	77	s	Malta	27	81	s
Bahrain	39	102	s	Milan	13	55	c
Barcelna	21	70	s	Moscow	30	86	f
Belgrade	26	79	s	Munich	12	54	r
Berlin	19	66	f	Nairobi	24	75	s
Biarritz	15	59	f	Naples	19	66	c
Borde'x	17	63	f	N Delhi	28	82	f
Brussels	15	59	f	Nice	12	54	f
Budapst	24	75	f	Oslo	16	61	f
Cairo	31	88	s	Paris	16	61	f
Cape Tn	16	61	c	Peking	21	70	f
C'blanca	21	70	s	Prague	15	59	r
Ch'church	11	52	s	Reykjvik	11	52	r
Cologne	14	57	c	Rhodes	25	77	s
C'phagn	16	61	f	Rio de J	19	66	s
Corfu	22	72	f	Riyadh	43	109	s
Dublin	14	57	c	Rome	20	68	f
Dubrovnik	23	73	f	Salzburg	11	52	r
Faro	21	70	s	Seoul	28	79	s
Florence	20	68	c	St'kholm	13	55	r
Frankfurt	15	59	f	Strasb'rg	14	57	c
Funchal	20	68	f	Tangier	21	70	s
Geneva	15	59	f	Tel aviv	25	77	s
Gibraltar	14	57	s	Tenerife	20	68	s
Helsinki	23	73	s	Tokyo	28	82	s
Hong K	31	88	s	Tunis	25	77	f
Innsbrck	9	48	r	Valencia	23	73	f
Istanbul	25	77	s	Venice	17	63	r
Jedaih	34	93	s	Vienna	16	61	r
Karachi	39	91	c	Warsaw	24	75	f
L'L Palmas	22	72	f	Wel'ton	14	57	s
Le Touet	16	61	f	Zurich	11	52	r
Lisbon	25	77	s				

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	6.57	6.8	7.06	6.4
Aberdeen	6.20	3.9	7.24	3.7
Avonmouth	12.02	11.3	12.30	11.5
Belfast	3.57	3.5	4.45	3.1
Cardiff	—	—	12.15	10.7
Devonport	11.17	4.7	11.31	5.0
Dover	4.08	5.9	4.31	5.9
Falmouth	10.47	4.5	11.01	4.8
Glasgow	5.20	4.8	6.07	4.2
Harwich	4.46	3.7	4.57	3.5
Holyhead	3.13	5.2	4.01	4.7
Hull	11.14	8.7	—	—
Ilfracombe	11.14	7.9	11.45	8.1
Leith	7.43	5.0	8.29	4.9
Liverpool	4.10	8.7	4.46	8.1
Lowestoft	2.44	2.1	2.19	2.3
Milford Haven	5.07	4.4	5.17	4.4
Newquay	11.33	5.9	—	—
Oban	10.29	8.0	11.00	6.2
Penzance	10.52	3.0	11.48	3.3
Portland	10.30	4.7	10.45	5.1
Portsmouth	—	—	12.10	1.5
Shoreham	4.18	4.1	5.12	4.3
Southampton	4.07	5.8	4.49	5.7
Swansea	3.47	4.1	4.39	4.2
Tees	11.35	8.0	—	—
Whitby-on-Nze	8.45	4.9	9.42	4.8
Workington	4.43	3.9	4.53	3.7

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.28ft. Times are BST

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	9.1	.20	13	55	sunny
Cromer	5.8	.28	13	55	sunny
Lowestoft	3.4	.08	15	59	bright
Southend	-	.28	16	61	thundr
Margate	6.3	.22	15	59	thundr
Brighton	6.7	.02	17	63	shower
Sandown	6.7	.07	17	63	sunny
Bournemth	7.2	-	19	66	bright
Weymouth	5.9	-	18	66	shower
Exmouth	10.2	.02	17	63	sunny
Teignmouth	8.9	.05	17	63	sunny
Torquay	10.1	.11	17	63	sunny
Falmouth	8.0	.02	15	59	sunny
Penzance	9.5	.05	17	63	sunny
Scilly Isles	10.3	-	16	61	sunny
Jersey	9.1	.02	17	63	sunny
Guernsey	10.3	.01	15	59	sunny
Newquay	4.7	.01	15	59	bright
Minehead	8.4	.11	16	61	sunny
Morecambe	6.3	-	17	63	bright
Douglas	-	-	14	57	shower
Calais	5.9	.18	15	59	hail
Nottingham	4.9	.33	16	61	thundr
Anglesey	8.8	.01	15	59	sunny
Colwyn Bay	2.0	-	13	55	sunny
Tenby	7.3	.01	16	61	sunny
Aberdeen	8.3	.09	14	57	shower
Aviemore	5.8	.03	12	54	shower
Eskdalemuir	5.9	.01	15	59	shower
Chalose	4.7	.06	13	55	shower
Lerwick	0.6	.03	9	48	shower
Prestwick	7.1	.01	15	59	shower
Stornoway	5.2	-	12	54	bright
Tiree	10.7	-	14	57	bright
Wick	11.0	.02	12	54	shower

* Decimal figures not available
These are Saturday's figures.

THE POUND

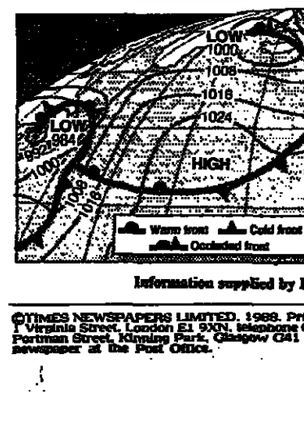
	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.325	2.195
Austria Sch	22.75	21.55
Belgium Fr	67.50	64.20
Canada $	2.305	2.185
Denmark Kr	12.23	11.63
Finland Mkk	7.70	7.30
France Fr	10.88	10.33
Germany Dm	3.215	3.065
Greece Dr	255	240
Hong Kong $	14.55	13.80
Ireland Pt	1.205	1.145
Italy Lire	2280	2270
Japan Yen	237	225
Netherlands Gld	3.60	3.43
Norway Kr	11.77	11.17
Portugal Esc	262	249
South Africa Rd	4.70	4.20
Spain Pta	212	201
Sweden Kr	11.25	10.70
Switzerland Fr	2.68	2.55
USA $	1.875	1.788
Yugoslavia Dnr	4000	3000

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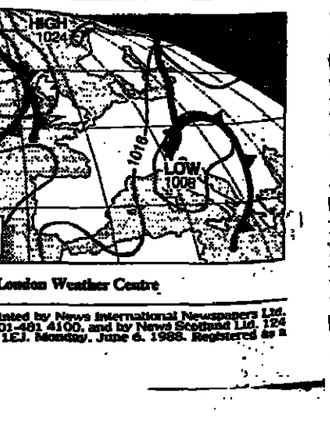
Retail Price Index: 105.8 (April)

London: The *FT* Index closed up 1.0 at 1444.4.
New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 16.85 at 2071.30.

AM



PM



HIGHEST & LOWEST

Saturday: Highest day temp: Bournemouth, Dorset, 20C (68F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Shetland, 9C (48F); highest rainfall: Wyton, Cambridgeshire, 0.99in; highest sunshine: Wick, Highland, 11.0hr.

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 9.43 pm to 4.15 am
Bristol 9.53 pm to 4.25 am
Edinburgh 10.23 pm to 4.00 am
Manchester 10.03 pm to 4.12 am
Penzance 9.58 pm to 4.44 am

Sun rises: 4.46 am
Sun sets: 9.13 pm
Moon rises 1.20 am
Moon sets 11.33 am
Last quarter tomorrow

TOWER BRIDGE

Tower Bridge will be lifted at the following times today: 6am, 11am, 4pm, 6.50pm and 7.10pm.

LONDON

Saturday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 16C (61F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 10C (50F). Humidity: 6 pm, 58 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.41in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 4.9hr. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1012.6 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 16C (61F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 9C (48F) Humidity: 6 pm, 59 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, .01in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.2hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1021.1 millibars, rising.

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	13	55	c	Guernsey	14	57	f
B'ingham	13	55	c	Inverness	13	55	s
Blackpool	13	55	c	Jersey	16	61	s
Bristol	14	57	c	London	14	57	c
Cardiff	15	59	c	M'nchester	14	57	c
Edinburgh	13	55	f	Newcastle	12	54	f
Glasgow	15	59	f	R'aldsway	13	55	f

NOON TODAY

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CHANGE ON WEEK	
FT 30 Share 1444.4 (+14.4)	US dollar 1.8000 (–0.0570)
FT-SE 100 1819.2 (+35.5)	W German mark 3.1059 (–0.0798)
USM (Datastream) 156.73 (+1.54)	Trade-weighted 76.2 (–2.0)

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US NOTEBOOK

Economy nearing turning point

From Maxwell Newton
New York

Chaos in the US employment figures have reached a point where the Department of Labour economists themselves are expressing bewilderment. One leading set of statistics shows non-agricultural employment rising by 749,000 between February and May; the other says non-agricultural employment has fallen by 22,000 in the same period.

The bond market in its heart of hearts believes the latter.

The payroll service numbers, on which the financial markets characteristically focus in the monthly Friday morning heart-stoppers, show a revised increase of 1.477 million (1.4 per cent) in non-agricultural employment in the first five months of 1988.

But a different sampling method, the Household Survey, shows non-agricultural employment rising only 631,000 (0.6 per cent) in the first five months.

By May, the Household Survey numbers (on which the unemployment rate is based) showed a fall to a level actually below February's in both total and non-agricultural employment.

The picture obtained from the May Household Survey, of rising unemployment and falling employment, helps to make more sense of the retail sales reports, which indicate declining sales volume by department stores in 1988.

Real personal consumption vending growth is slowing to zero, as are housing and government spending in real terms.

As these trends gain momentum, the dollar is stabilizing and even showing strength against some currencies.

In the past month, the mark has fallen 4.6 per cent against the dollar; the pound 4.4 per cent and even the yen has fallen 1.7 per cent.

None of these beneficial trends has affected popular thinking in the financial market, where inflation hysteria is still rampant.

Source of most of this is the rise in the Commodity Research Bureau index of commodity futures, which is directly related to the lack of rain in the grain and soya bean growing areas of the US – perhaps a good enough reason for adjusting one's 30-year investment perspective.

Another cause of inflation hysteria has been the rise of 4 per cent in consumer prices of clothing, mainly in womens-wear, as measured by the Bureau of Labour Statistics, in March and April.

Yet retail stores now report that conditions in women's clothing are dreadful and that price cutting of 50 per cent is rampant.

As these facts filter back to the financial markets, the tone of bond and share prices has begun to improve.

In the two weeks to Friday, the price of the 30-year US cash bond rose more than 1½ points. The September T-Bond contract has already risen from 84 17/32 on Friday, May 20, to 87 last Friday.

Important trends in spending, employment and the dollar are saying with increasing emphasis that a turning point for the US is approaching – or is happening as we watch.

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Watchdog insists on Aus$860m offer

Bond ordered to bid for Bell

From Richard Battley, Sydney

Australia's corporate watchdog, the National Companies and Securities Commission (NCSC), is forcing the Bond Corporation to make an Aus$860 million (£375 million) bid for Bell Group, Mr Robert Holmes à Court's beleaguered flagship.

Mr Alan Bond, head of Bond Corporation, who recently bought a 19.9 per cent stake for Aus$172 million, agreed to the NCSC-imposed pact to avoid a possible "unacceptable conduct" declaration by the regulatory body.

Such a declaration would have resulted in the purchase being declared void and the shares confiscated and subsequently sold.

Mr Ray Schoer, the NCSC executive director, said last night that the Aus$2.70-a-share cash bid – the shares closed at Aus$2.10 on Friday – was part of the terms of settlement whereby the NCSC would discontinue its hearing into Bell share dealings.

The in-camera inquiry, which began on May 23, was investigating the sale of separate stakes of 19.9 per cent of Bell Group by Mr Holmes à Court to Bond and the State Government Insurance Commission (SGIC), a West Australian public body.

It was seeking to establish whether Bond and the SGIC had acted in concert. If this were deemed so, a full takeover offer would be mandatory. An NCSC statement yesterday said the inquiry had formed the "tentative view" that there "might have been some understanding" between Bond and the SGIC in relation to future control of Bell.

This was rejected by the buyers. A Bond statement said: "Bond Corp and the SGIC deny that the contact between the parties was other than that permitted by law."

Mr Holmes à Court welcomed the "resolution".

"Bond Corp has acted properly with me from the earliest stages of negotiations, culminating in the proposed offer," he said. "This offer was inevitable."

When asked how "inevitable" the offer would have been had there not been an NCSC inquiry, he said: "I repeat, the offer was inevitable."

Significantly, the NCSC has agreed that Bond's bid will exclude the SGIC.

The SGIC has undertaken further not to sell its shareholding before October 6. Bond's takeover should have been completed by then.

However, the SGIC has a six-month agreement with Bond, effectively underwriting the price of Aus$2.70 a share for its stake, plus holding costs. It said this would result in a profit of Aus$13 million.

Meanwhile, Sir Ron Brierley and Mr Kerry Packer last night conceded that the NCSC-imposed solution to the Bell saga had scuppered their Aus$1.03 billion bid for Bell Resources, a Bell Group associate.

Mr Rodney Price, the chief executive of Sir Ron's Industrial Equity Limited, said: "If Bond gets control of Bell Group, and at Aus$2.70 I can't believe he won't, I would say we are out of the game."



Players in the Bell battle: Alan Bond and, below from left, Kerry Packer, Robert Holmes à Court and Sir Ron Brierley



Report scrutinizes Salomon link

The man from Salomon Brothers, the US investment bank, was cited for special attention by the National Companies and Securities Commission in its 11-page report on the Bell saga.

The NCSC said Mr Trevor Rowe, head of the bank's Australian operations, had received a phone call from Mr Alan Bond at Sydney airport on April 26 as he was about to fly to Manila. Mr Bond said he had been retained by the State Government Insurance Commission to evaluate a parcel of Bell shares it proposed buying.

He asked Mr Rowe to fly to Perth instead, where he was taken to the offices of Mr Bond's family company, Dallhold Limited.

"At Dallhold," the NCSC report said, "Rowe met Bond, Aleco Vrisarkis (an adviser to the NCSC) and (Bond Corp director Peter) Mitchell.

"Bond approved Mitchell giving Rowe analytical material in relation to the valuation of Bell Group shares and convertible bonds, which material Mitchell provided to assist him in the task of advising SGIC."

Both Mr Bond and Mr Wyvern Rees, SGIC chairman, have insisted that the purchase of a 19.9 per cent stake each in Bell was transacted independently. They denied it was in concert.

BAT and Farmers clash over validity of shareholders' vote

By Alison Eadie

The tempo has risen in the $4.5 billion (£2.5 billion) bid by BAT Industries for Farmers Group, the Los Angeles insurer, after a clash over the interpretation of a vote by Farmers shareholders and revelations of payments by Farmers to firms connected with its directors.

A vote by Farmers shareholders was 51 per cent in favour of a non-binding resolution by BAT urging Farmers directors to negotiate on the bid. A total of 27.25 million Farmers shares were cast in favour and 26.52 million against, with 2.34 million abstaining.

Mr Patrick Sheehy, the chairman of BAT, said: "As a result of our strong showing, anything less than an unconditional negotiation would be a travesty of corporate democracy."

Farmers, however, claims that technically the resolution has failed. Mr Charles Schulz, the senior vice-president of Farmers, said: "Our by-laws require that on any question before a shareholders meeting, the majority is required of the shares represented at the meeting, either in person or by proxy."

BAT is taking legal action against Farmers over the voting of 1.2 million shares against the resolution by affiliated reciprocal insurance exchanges. BAT believes it was improper for these shares to have been voted

BAT has also publicized testimony given at the bid hearings in Idaho, which revealed that two law firms and a construction company affiliated with three outside directors of Farmers received $7.9 million in fees from Farmers last year.

The state regulatory hearings are continuing, with the Illinois hearing opening today. On Friday, Arizona was the first of nine states, whose approval is needed for the bid to succeed, to give the green light.

Cadbury seeks guidance

By Colin Narbrough

Cadbury Schweppes, the besieged confectionery and soft drinks group, is concerned that the Government appears to have failed to formulate a merger policy that takes proper account of the emerging single European market, preferring to continue with a case-by-case approach.

This failure, and the absence of a timetable for achieving a unified market, were putting Cadbury Schweppes in "some state of confusion" at a time when the group needed clear guidance on policy, a company spokesman said yesterday.

The company's inquiries indicate that the Government has no clear idea when a single market will exist for chocolate or confectionery.

Lord Young of Graffham, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said last month, when he decided not to refer the Nestlé bid for Rowntree to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, that British companies would be allowed to acquire a dominant share of the home market when a single market existed in their sector.

But he made clear that without a single market for chocolate, Cadbury Schweppes's share of the British chocolate market would mean automatic referral of any merger it might seek with Rowntree.

Referring to a visit to London last week by Mr Richard Smith, the US industrialist whose General Cinema owns 18.4 per cent of Cadbury Schweppes, the spokesman said no contacts took place between the two companies.

Cadbury Schweppes was reluctant to meet Mr Smith and could not see what he could offer the company's shareholders.

THF hotel for sale at £60m

Trusthouse Forte is seeking offers for the 150-room Londonderry Hotel, in Park Lane, in the West End of London, which it bought in its £174 million takeover last month of Kennedy Brookes, the hotel and restaurant group.

Mr Rocco Forte, THF's chief executive, is understood to be looking for a price of £60 million, or £400,000 a room, to help recover some of the cost of the acquisition.

The company, which also owns the Grosvenor House Hotel in Park Lane, is not "actively" negotiating with any party but is ready to discuss any "reasonably good offer."

Heated exchanges likely on quotas at Vienna meeting

Opec stuck on definition of oil

By David Young
Energy Correspondent

Members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec), who are meeting this week to try to reach an agreement that will send the world oil price back upwards, are likely to become involved in a new dispute over the precise definition of oil.

Delegates from Venezuela, Algeria and Libya are determined to press for a revision of the definitions, which would effectively mean their being given a larger share of the Opec overall output quotas.

Such a move will be resisted by the Gulf states, but the dispute will add to the view in the oil market that until demand once again outstrips supply, Opec as a cartel will be ineffective. The meeting was due to start today but has been postponed until Saturday because of the Arab summit. The ministers will start to meet in informal groups in Vienna on Thursday when the issue of what is oil will be raised.

At present, gas condensates with an American Petroleum Institute (API) gravity rating of below 47 degrees are classed by Opec as ultra-light crude oils. Venezuela and Algeria, leading producers of these grades, want the limit lowered to 40.2 so that they can sell these crudes as gas liquids and use their Opec quotas to increase sales of their heavier oils.

The Gulf states, whose oils are in the lower 30 degree bands, similar to most North Sea crudes, see this as a blatant move to capture a larger share of an already diminished market by these countries, and the issue could result in heated exchanges during next week's full ministerial sessions.

In addition, Venezuela has produced a new oil product which is helping it to increase its market share at the expense of the heavy Arab crudes. Very heavy crude oil from Venezuela is being mixed 80-20 per cent with water to produce Oremulsion, a heavy sludge similar to residual heavy fuel oil which can be burned directly in power station furnaces. At present this Oremulsion is not included in Venezuela's Opec quota and there will be Arab demands that it should be included in the overall output total.

The Arab states will insist that the quota agreements should be tightened so that Opec as a whole can take advantage of what it sees as increasing demand in the second half of this year so that the price can rise above $18 a barrel once again.

The Arab view that the market is improving is supported by the latest figures from the International Energy Agency in Paris. Preliminary estimates, to be published this week, show that demand in the first quarter of this year rose by 5.6 per cent in the United States. Demand in Europe, despite a comparatively mild winter, rose by 2 per cent.

The IEA says world demand is now running at 49.4 million barrels per day while Opec is producing 18.6 bpd.

Power company buys gas field's entire output

By Our Energy Correspondent

The first contract has been drawn up for the entire output of an important North Sea gas field to be sold to a customer other than British Gas.

Since gas was first discovered in the North Sea, British Gas has been able to secure favourable contract terms from the leading oil companies because it is the only customer able to guarantee to take large quantities of gas on a regular basis.

However, with the forthcoming privatization of the power industry, BP is understood to have reached an agreement with the North of Scotland Hydro Electricity Board to provide the entire output of its planned Miller field in the northern sector of the North Sea.

The gas will be piped ashore and burned in the Hydro Board's modern power station at Peterhead, Grampian.

The key to the success of the project is whether BP is given government approval for a gas line from the Miller field to St Fergus, near Peterhead.

At present Marathon is also seeking approval for a gas line from its adjoining Brae fields complex. It already has planning permission to build a gas-handling site at St Fergus and it is likely that it will sell its gas to British Gas.

The Department of Energy had orginally told both BP and Marathon that they should form a consortium to build a large gas line to serve both fields, but it is now believed it will allow each company to build a smaller-diameter line.

Each line will cost about £250 million, compared with about £500 million for one large-diameter line.

The need for two separate lines is because the gas from the two fields is quite different. The BP gas could go straight into the burners at the Peterhead power station while the Marathon gas requires carbon dioxide and sulphur to be removed before it can be fed into the national grid.

Approval for both schemes will satisfy the ambition of Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Secretary of State for Energy, to maintain job opportunities in the North Sea industry as well as increasing competition in a privatized power industry.

The Department of Energy has refused to comment on the issue, but it is believed that Mr Peter Morrison, the Energy Minister, will announce the go-ahead for the two projects shortly after Parliament resumes.

- BP is also seeking planning permission to explore for oil on an onshore site within the military ranges near Wareham, Dorset. The site is heavily used by artillery and tanks, so any exploration work will have to be limited to August.

FKI may float US businesses

By Our City Staff

FKI Babcock, formed last summer from the merger of FKI Electricals and Babcock International, is considering floating its American businesses – which have annual sales of $750 million (£417 million) – on the New York stock market to perk up the company's unexciting rating.

A flotation may take place next January with 10 per cent of the business being sold.

FKI wants to continue making acquisitions, but its rating means it can use only cash. Its shares at 122p are on 7½ times prospective earnings.

FKI has an objective of boosting earnings per share by 25 per cent a year. That is easily achievable this year through benefits from the rationalization of Babcock, but it will be harder in future without acquisitions.

Mr Tony Gartland, the chief executive, said last week that the company was growing organically by 10 per cent a year.

FKI Babcock is also believed to be examining other options, including a flotation for the company's British manufacturing interests and a management buyout.

'Early rise' in base rate

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

The Bank of England is set to signal an early rise in base rates if sterling resumes the downward trend established last week.

Dealers and analysts are convinced that the Bank will act quickly to avoid conveying the impression that the Government has relaxed its anti-inflationary stance.

Although general expectations are for a half-point rise in base rates to steady sterling, economists at Greenwell Montagu, the gilt-edged market-maker, say that an increase of at least 1 per cent could be needed if the pound does not stabilize.

"With an overhang of nervous holders, a policy of raising base rates by half a point relatively soon after sterling began to come off was an invitation for the slide to continue," said Mr Robert Thomas, the director of bond research at Greenwell Montagu.

"Only a large rise in base rates can lead nervous currency holders to question selling."

No low mark

Herr Karl Otto Pöhl, the West German Bundesbank president, yesterday made it clear that his bank was not interested in a stronger dollar and lower mark.

In a radio interview, Herr Pöhl said a strong mark was an important factor in maintaining economic stability in Germany, as well as keeping a balance within the European Monetary System.

Expectations are that they will be raised from 8 to 8.5 per cent if there is a sustained fall below DM3.10.

In addition, the dollar's recovery means that, in overall terms, the pound is already weaker than when base rates were last at 8.5 per cent. On the eve of the March 17 reduction, when base rates were cut from 9 per cent to 8.5 per cent, the sterling index stood at 77.4, compared with a level of 76.2 on Friday.

"The problem for the authorities is that the current situation could create a speculator's paradise, with a self-feeding momentum in sterling developing on the downside as a mirror image of the last couple of months," said Mr Peter Fellner, economist at James Capel, the broker.

He suggested that this could mean allowing sterling to fall further, possibly to DM3.05, before the Bank stepped in with a full percentage point rise in base rates.

The issue is complicated by the fact that some analysts see sterling's current weakness as being only temporary, implying that too dramatic a response by the Bank could recreate the dilemma of an excessively strong pound.

Economists at Goldman Sachs, the securities house, expect the pound to move back into the DM3.15-3.20 range and believe that the foreign exchange markets over-reacted to the first quarter West German gross national product figures, published last week, which suggested a strong performance by the German economy.

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Hard times at Henderson

Falling revenues and rising costs, every businessman's nightmare, are Henderson Administration's reality. Caught in the deadly pincer, the fund management group's pretax profits slipped 15 per cent last year to £22.5 million.

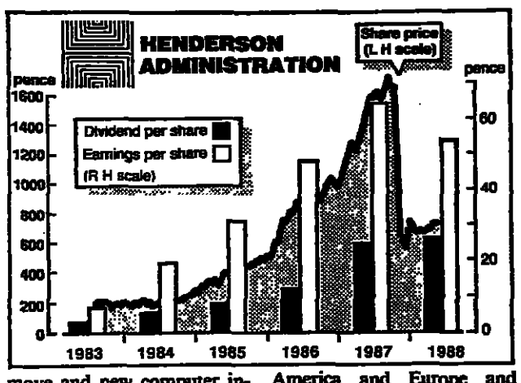
The key to understanding the profits decline and the implications for this year lies in comparison between the two halves of last year. All the pain came in the second half when operating profit slumped to £3.1 million compared with £12.2 million in the first.

The fall in revenues was due to a combination of the effects of last October's stock market crash, and changing unit trust regulations. On the pension fund side, many of the fees are determined by the value of the funds under management. When the value of the funds sank by as much as 25 per cent in some instances, the fees dropped accordingly.

Meanwhile, drastically reduced sales of units has meant the loss of the front-end management fee. The changed unit trust regulations whereby the managers no longer enjoy the benefits either of rounding unit prices, or of "box" profits earned by buying and selling units, provided the final twist.

Henderson's revenues will recover as it gains more funds. During the last year, it took on 63 new pension funds and they will contribute for a full year this year.

Costs, on the other hand have soared. Henderson moved into new City premises last year. It also had its annual salary review in September, days before the crash. Included in last year's £39.9 million of costs are some one-off items related to the office



move and new computer installation. However, it is unlikely costs will fall much below £37 million this year.

Assuming the market stays on a reasonably even keel, the group may not make more than £16 million pretax this year, a £6.5 million drop on last year.

Despite a 15p fall in the share price on Friday to 705p, the prospective rating of 14 still looks unjustifiably high, given the uncertainties in the market. This is a top-quality management group, but it is highly leveraged to fluctuating share prices, making it a high risk investment. A further correction in the share price looks inevitable.

Glynwed/Amari

The agreed £98 million offer by Glynwed for Amari cannot be faulted on industrial logic.

The companies are in complementary product areas and together will be a more powerful force in steel products distribution and plastics. The fit is neat as Amari's overseas presence is in metals in North America and Europe and Glynwed's is in plastics in Europe, Australia and North America. Amari's British plastics and stainless steel distribution operations will significantly increase the scale of Glynwed's business.

The price of the deal is open to a little more question. Glynwed insists there will be no earnings dilution and it will have no trouble keeping to its target of 20 per cent a year earnings per share growth. The historic exit multiple for Amari is a generous 22.8, which falls to a fully diluted prospective exit multiple of 15.2, assuming Amari makes pretax profits of £10 million this year. Not at all cheap.

Current trading, however, is going very well at Amari and expectations of £10 million profits could be too conservative. Glynwed also has an excellent reputation for tight management and is expected to be able to take out costs and boost returns at Amari quite quickly.

Glynwed's close trading relationship with Amari — Amari distributes some of Glynwed's products — should mean it understands what it is buying.

Glynwed shares, at 457p, are in the midst of a re-rating, but there is more to come.

Singer & Friedlander

Having no home can be disconcerting. But with three moves in the last 16 years behind it, Singer & Friedlander, one of the City's smallest merchant banks, is enjoying being out on its own. Its freedom may not last long.

The bank escaped from Britannia Arrow, its most recent owner, only last August when Gilbert House, the property company, reversed into it in a deal worth £143 million.

The Gilbert House connection has raised Singer's value largely because of a neat cash pile of about £70 million following the sale of the Centrovincial Estates subsidiary. Pretax profits for the nine months after the reverse takeover came out at £7.1 despite losses in the crash.

Enter British & Commonwealth. It has built a 10.4 per cent stake in Singer at a price of about 70p a share. The shares ended last week at 74p. With a bid value of about £200 million, a buyer would have to pay rather more than £1 a share for the group.

Singer would fit nicely into B&C's own new merchant bank. Capitalized at £100 million and launched six months ago, B&C Merchant Bank is having a somewhat slow start. Building up a banking business from nothing is never easy.

Singer has substantial property interests, which contributed about half of the profits of the group. B&C is also heavily involved in property. The other half of Singer's profits come from merchant banking and securities operations. Its clients tend to be medium sized regional companies, just the sort of customers B&C Merchant Bank would like to be dealing with.

Thomas Robinson

There are no prizes for coming second in a takeover battle. But as the Coloroll public relations machine deafens the City with its cries of victory, those with more sensitive antennae may detect some good value for money in the shares of the loser, Thomas Robinson.

After the failure of Thomas Robinson's underwriters to sub-underwrite its cash offer, its shares fell from 455p to 390p on worries that the shares left with the underwriters would overhang the market. As it became clearer that Coloroll would win, the shares started to recover, closing on Friday at 408p, up 5p.

The costs of the abortive bid attempt will need to be deducted from Thomas Robinson's projected pretax profits — assuming it adopts the usual accounting treatment of taking them above the line as an exceptional. Even so, the group should make £16 million pretax this year, implying a prospective multiple of just under 9. The rating is too low for a company whose earnings are expected to grow at 20 per cent this year.

GILT-EDGED

Trial and error route back to 9% base rates

British base rates are set to rise to around 9 per cent in the next few weeks. Sterling has suddenly shifted from being the most popular currency, to being the weakest.

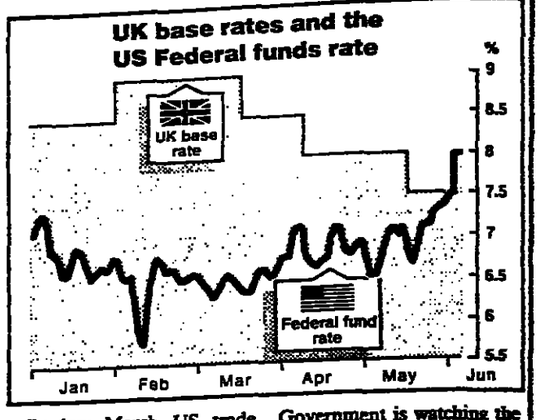
This abrupt change in sentiment may be partly the result of publication of yet another poor set of UK trade figures, for April. However, a much more important cause of sterling's strength earlier in the year and its sudden weakening lies outside the United Kingdom.

In early February, when a policy relaxation by the Fed had taken the Fed funds rate down to around 6½ per cent, British bank base rates stood at 9 per cent. Speculators were being paid a handsome 250 basis points to hold sterling against a weakening dollar, and they knew that the British Government would be reluctant to cut rates because of the strength of domestic demand. With that incentive, it is scarcely surprising that there was overwhelming upward pressure on sterling.

That incentive was reduced, but by no means eliminated, during March and April, as the Bank of England cut interest rates to 8 per cent and the Fed nudged the funds rate to around 6¾ per cent. With 125 basis points differential still left, sterling continued to rise, reaching highs of more than $1.90 and DM3.15 in April.

But during May, the two-sided squeeze on the interest differential intensified. Britain cut rates on May 17, to 7½ per cent. The Fed, concerned at the pace of first-quarter GNP and the rise in commodity prices, tightened at the beginning of the month and again at the end, taking the funds rate also to around 7½ per cent. So the differential was eliminated.

These final moves to remove the differential had a dramatic effect. When British base rates were cut on May 17 sterling fell from around $1.89 to just over $1.86 and weakened significantly against the ECU. Despite these declines, which were sustained, many commentators erroneously regarded the rate cut as ineffective. This mistake was made because the mark-sterling rate remained unchanged at the high level of 3.18, as the mark weakened against all currencies on publication of the unexpectedly low March US trade figures an hour after the British rate cut.



Then, when the Fed raised the funds rate late in May, sterling started to slide, falling from over 1.86 on May 26 to around 1.80 on June 2. At that point, the speed of sterling's decline gave the British authorities their long-awaited opportunity to start increasing base rates.

The clear lesson is that back in April, a differential of 125 basis points between sterling and dollar rates put upward pressure on the British currency; at the 50 basis points differential seen in mid-May, sterling looked vulnerable; and when the gap fell to zero at the end of May, sterling fell very sharply.

So by trial and error, the authorities have identified the differential that would have been correct over the last couple of months as lying between about 75 and 125 basis points, which at the present Fed funds rate of around 7½ per cent corresponds to British base rates of 8¼ to 8¾ per cent.

If anything, the appropriate rate is likely to lie at or just above the top of this range, because compared with April (when that 125 basis points differential caused sterling to rise) the latest news on the trade deficit has been disappointing.

So the authorities are almost certain to raise base rates to 8½ per cent, and probably to 9 in the next few weeks, as the money markets predict; and that should stabilize sterling at around current levels.

If it seems strange to be conducting this analysis in terms of sterling-dollar differentials, when the British Government is watching the sterling-mark rate, remember that many of the speculative transactions that have driven sterling up and down this year have been made in terms of the sterling-dollar trade.

Also, with the G7 aiming to stabilize the dollar-mark rate in a fairly narrow band, and currently succeeding, a British interest rate policy that focuses on the differential against dollar rates should be successful in maintaining an approximately constant sterling-mark rate.

In coming months UK consumer spending will be boosted by the Budget tax cuts (which are only reaching pay packets now) and by the mortgage rate cuts being implemented. The low level of base rates seen during April and May was threatening to drive mortgage rates down further, boosting consumer spending even more. That could have led to a crisis later in the year, with base rates being raised perhaps as high as 10 per cent to squeeze spending and prevent overheating and further worsening in trade.

By raising base rates now, there is a good chance that this crisis will be averted: as often occurs in economic management, a smaller move earlier can avert a larger move later. So medium and longer-dated gilts should react neutrally, or perhaps favourably, to a further rise in base rates in coming weeks, especially if sterling stabilizes. Conversely, gilts in the one to three year range, which now offer yields below longer-dated bonds, look vulnerable.

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USM REVIEW

Young looks forward to mining a rich seam

The latest company to make its debut on the USM is Young Group, one of the country's leading private sector coal mining groups.

Although precise details have not yet been revealed — its impact day is tomorrow — the County Durham company is expected to raise around £3 million after expenses, and is likely to be capitalized at about £15 million. Dealings in the shares are expected to begin next Monday.

Young, which specializes in open-cast and drift mining, is run by Mr Bob Young, — an ex-British Coal employee — and his brother, Mr Alan Young.

It is not making a profit forecast in its prospectus, but based on historic pretax profits of £1.8 million for the year to November 1987, the p/e multiple will be in the region of nine times, with a yield of between five and six per cent.

Young has often been compared with such mining companies as Ryan or Anglo United, but it claims that this is misleading and that its principal competitors are British Coal contractors, operating on low margins, who produce very little of their own coal.

Young Group concentrates on coal production from its own mines and thus boasts higher margins.

It currently has three drift mines and four open-cast sites, all privately owned and operated under licence from British Coal. It also has four other drift mine development projects and a contract to operate one of British Coal's own open-cast sites.

Young's profits have increased steadily from £406,000 — in the 14 months to August 1985 — to £920,000 in the 15 months to November 1986, and £1.8 million in the year to last November.

During 1987, the company produced 320,000 tonnes of coal. British Coal and the Central Electricity Generating Board are its main customers.

A company planning its USM debut this month is John Tams Group, one of Britain's leading independent manufacturers of earthenware coffee mugs and tableware.

It is second in size only to Staffordshire Potteries, now part of Coloroll, and is a supplier to Boots and GUS.

To be launched into public life by way of a placing, Tams will be capitalized at nearly £20 million, and will be one of the first Staffordshire ceramic companies to be floated for some 25 years.

The placing is likely to raise around £3 million and more than half of that will be new capital for the business.

The cash injection will be used to finance production capacity at the company's three factories in Stoke-on-Trent, allowing output to be increased 30 per cent and creating 100 new jobs.

The British coffee mug market is estimated to be worth, at retail prices, up to £60 million a year, and John Tams speaks for around £15 million worth. Last year, it produced around 30 million mugs.

Carol Leonard

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down at 76.2 (day's range 76.2-76.5).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates for June 3

	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
New Yrk	1.7970-1.8055	1.7995-1.8005	0.10-0.05pr	0.46-0.39pr
Montrl	2.2097-2.2203	2.2184-2.2264	0.14-0.35ds	0.57-0.80ds
Amstrdm	3.4760-3.4860	3.4838-3.4876	1¾-¾pr	4¼-3½pr
Brussels	64.71-65.12	64.82-64.98	20-4pr	50-32pr
Copnhgn	11.7694-11.8706	11.8092-11.8248	par-1¼ds	5¼-1¾pr
Dublin	1.1581-1.1621	1.1594-1.1604	14-7pr	47-20pr
Frankft	3.0472-3.1150	3.1014-3.1126	1¼-¾pr	4¼-3½pr
Lisbon	252.41-254.65	252.83-253.87	45-85ds	164-270ds
Madrid	204.53-205.97	204.87-205.35	18-40ds	48-76ds
Milan	2302.21-2318.90	2308.06-2309.14	1-7ds	7-14ds
Oslo	11.3359-11.4067	11.3548-11.3702	4-5½ds	11¾-13¼ds
Paris	10.4682-10.5279	10.4893-10.5005	¾pr-1¼ds	3-1¾pr
Stckhlm	10.8149-10.8821	10.8330-10.8444	1¾-2¼ds	4-5½ds
Tokyo	226.09-227.92	226.29-227.59	1-½pr	2¾-2¼pr
Vienna	21.74-21.89	21.81-21.84	8½-7¾pr	26¾-24pr
Zurich	2.5798-2.5955	2.5823-2.5916	1¾-¾pr	4-3½pr

Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	16.7972-16.8995
Australia dollar	2.2244-2.2271
Bahrain dinar	0.6780-0.6820
Brazil cruzado*	295.34-296.99
Cyprus pound	0.8160-0.8260
Finland marka	7.3750-7.4150
Greece drachma	247.00-249.00
Hong Kong dollar	14.039-14.050
India rupee	24.36-24.58
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4960-0.5000
Malaysia ringgit	4.6408-4.6462
Mexico peso	4030-4130
New Zealand dollar	2.5648-2.5702
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.7450-6.7850
Singapore dollar	3.6311-3.6350
S Africa rand (fin)	5.2560-5.3782
S Africa rand (com)	4.0133-4.0183
U A E dirham	6.6050-6.6450

*Lloyds Bank. Rates supplied by Exlel and Barclays Bank HOFEX

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.5500-1.5515	Denmark	6.5650-6.5700
Singapore	2.0210-2.0220	W Germany	1.7240-1.7247
Malaysia	2.5630-2.5645	Switzerland	1.4350-1.4360
Australia	1.2381-1.2388	Netherlands	1.9360-1.9370
Canada	1.2300-1.2310	France	5.8275-5.8295
Sweden	6.0200-6.0300	Japan	125.83-125.93
Norway	6.2940-6.2990	Italy	1281.5-1282.5
		Belgium (Com)	36.02-36.07
		Hong Kong	7.8150-7.8160
		Portugal	140.90-141.30
		Spain	113.92-114.02
		Austria	12.11-12.12

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS

Base Rates %: Clearing Banks 8 Finance Hse 8½
Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 6¾ Low 1 Week fixed: 7⅝
Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mth – 8⅛ 3 mth – 8⅛
Selling: 2 mth – 8 3 mth – 8¼
Prime Bank Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 8⅝-8⅛ 2 mth: 8⅝-8¼ 3 mth: 8⅛-8¼ 6 mth 8⅛-8⅛
Trade Bills (Discount %): 1 mth: 8⅝-8⅛ 2 mth: 9 3 mth: 9¼ 6 mth 9½
Interbank (%). Overnight: open 7¼ close 3
1 week: 7⅛-7¼ 1 mth: 8⅛-8¼ 3 mth: 8⅛-8⅛
6 mth: 9¼-9⅜ 9 mth: 9⅜-9⅜ 12 mth: 9⅜-9½
Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 day: 7 7 day: 7 1 mth: 8¼
3 mth: 8¾ 6 mth: 9⅛ 12 mth: 9⅜
Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mth: 8¾-7⅛ 2 mth: 8⅝-8¾ 3 mth: 8¹¹/₁₆-9⅞
6 mth: 9¼-9⅜ 9 mth: 9⅜-9⅜ 12 mth: 9⅜-9⅜
Sterling CDs (%): 1 mth: 8¼-8¼
3 mth 8¾-8¾ 6 mth: 9-8¾ 12 mth 9⅜-9⅞
Dollar CDs (%): 1 mth: 7 50-7 45
3 mth. 7 65-7.60 6 mth: 7.80-7.75 12 mth 8.25-8.20

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth
Dollar:	7⅛-7⅛	7⅛-7⅛	7⅛-7⅛	7⅜-7⅜
Call: 7⅛-6⅜				
Deutschemark:	3⅜-3¼	3⅜-3⅜	3⅜-3¼	3⅜-3¼
Call: 3¼-2¾				
French Franc:	7⅛-7⅛	7¼-7⅛	7¼-7¼	7¼-7¼
Call: 7½-6¼				
Swiss Franc:	2¾-2⅝	2⅝-2⅛	2¾-2¾	2⅝-2⅝
Call: 2-1				
Yen:	3⅜-3⅜	4⅛-4⅛	4¼-4¼	4¼-4¼
Call: 3¼-2¼				

TREASURY BILLS

Applicts: £316.5m allotted: £100m
Bids: £97.925% received: 58%
Last week: £98.215% received: 100%
Avge rate: £8 1267% last wk £7 1506%
Next week: £100m replace £100m

Japan to cut US exports

Los Angeles (Reuter) — Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, the Japanese finance minister, said at the weekend that Japan wants to cut exports to the United States by between 25 per cent and 30 per cent.

In an interview with the *Los Angeles Times*, Mr Miyazawa said he would not be surprised if the cut was achieved "in a relatively short period of time".

He said that in 1986 Japan sent almost 40 per cent of its global exports to the US. Last year Japan recorded a $59.8 billion (£33.2 billion) bilateral surplus. A 30 per cent cut in its US exports would have amounted to $14.8 billion.

Mr Miyazawa said an increase in trade with other Asian countries would provide an alternative to over-reliance on US markets.

He said that, as part of an overall effort to fuel Japanese growth through domestic expansion rather than exports, the government would continue to spend more on public works programmes. Mr Miyazawa added that he expected Japan to complete deregulation of its financial markets this year.

He said the Japanese government would enjoy extra revenue for several years by selling its shares in Nippon Telegraph & Telephone. The proceeds would allow Japan to finance an increase of more than 20 per cent in spending on domestic public works.

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	8.00%
Adam & Company	8.00%
BCCI	8.00%
Consolidated Grds	7.50%
Co-operative Bank	8.00%
C. Hoare & Co	8.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	8.00%
Lloyds Bank	8.00%
Nat Westminster	8.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	8.00%
TSB	8.00%
Citibank NA	8.00%

Moscow-Madrid deal

Madrid (Reuter) — Telefonica de España, the Spanish telecommunications group, has agreed with the Soviet Union to study the possibility of establishing up to three joint-venture companies.

An industrial collaboration deal signed by Señor Luis Solana, the Telefonica chairman, and Mr Erlen Pervishin, the Soviet telecommunications equipment industry minister, will sanction feasibility studies for joint companies in the Soviet Union.

Telefonica and Amper, an associate company, formed their first Soviet joint-venture company last December. The company, Telur, will initially produce 500,000 telephone sets a year. Feasibility studies are to be completed before the end of the year on two joint companies, one to produce public telephones and the other printed circuit boards, both using Amper technology.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalisation £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
9,231,000	A & M Gp	15	r ..	..	..	55.6
26.7m	ASD	373	● +15	13.0	3.5	10.5
8,449,000	ATA Selection	54	● ..	2.5	4.6	12.9
16.5m	Abtar Am Pet	31	-1 ..	..	..	..
9,120,000	Aberdeen Stk Hse	78	-2 ..	1.8e	2.3	..
———	Acorn Satellite	..	.. ..	4.4f	..	..
15.2m	Acorn Comp	23	-1 ..	..	..	21.5
27.4m	Acsis Group	75	.. ..	..	..	..
12.1m	Aircraft	203	+5	5.5	4.3	10.8
3,222,000	Allied Ins	102	.. ..	5.5	5.4	11.7
6,841,000	Ald Restaurants	70	.. ..	1.7	2.4	..
33.6m	Amer Bus Sys	90	+4	2.2	2.4	39.8
2,368,000	Amer Ost	168	.. ..	4.8	2.4	16.1
36.4m	App Holographics	260	+6	..	..	60.6
127.9m	Arlan Energy	79	+4	..	..	..
31.7m	Ashtead	468	.. ..	4.1	0.9	41.1
46.2m	Aspen Comms	468	+3	7.0b	1.5	20.5
124.2m	Asprey	253	-5	5.6	2.2	14.1
4,570,000	Assoc Energy	96	-1 ..	..	..	58.8
6,680,000	Assoc Nursing	135	-5	2.7b	2.0	26.6
288.2m	Atlantic Sec	280	.. ..	..	..	..
18.7m	Atlas Electronics	232	.. ..	9.8	4.1	12.5
6,617,000	Automagic	116	.. ..	8.9	7.7	17.7
4,488,000	BBB Design	55	+4	2.1	3.8	8.8
10.0m	BCE	38	+1	1.4	3.8	14.5
4,018,000	BTS Gp	52	.. ..	5.8	7.4	14.8
8,648,000	BWD	32	-1 ..	..	..	..
14.9m	Beeverco	200	.. ..	8.9	3.5	15.9
4,180,000	Bedford (William)	98	.. ..	6.4	7.3	8.2
3,700,000	Benford Cmnctn	84	+2	0.7	0.8	15.4
5,700,000	Berry Birch & Noble	95	● ..	8.0	6.3	9.1
4,974,000	Bilston&Battersea	118	.. ..	5.8	4.9	14.7
4,179,000	Bio Isolators	24	+1 ..	..	..	..
8,160,000	Blomechanex	24	.. ..	..	..	..
2,819,000	Blooms	41	-5 ..	..	..	6.6
52.9m	Blenheim Exhib	475	.. ..	7.3	1.5	39.5
24.3m	Blustard Toys	202	-3 ..	8.5	2.9	11.7
9,353,000	Bonded Lastmkrs	82	-2 ..	4.1	3.8	15.4
3,230,000	Border TV	98	.. ..	2.9	8.3	8.2
52.7m	Borland	107	-2 ..	..	..	10.2
7,547,000	Brewmaker	15	+1 ..	..	..	10.2
5,550,000	Br Bloodstock	182	+10	12.1	7.5	11.2
17.6m	Br Car Auct	87	+1 ..	6.4	3.9	12.4
17.2m	Broad St	48	.. ..	2.8	5.4	19.4
57.1m	Brookmount	435	.. ..	6.1	1.4	28.4
2,784,000	Bryant (Kitchen)	108	.. ..	2.7	2.5	27.9
———	Bula Resources	..	-½ ..	..	..	..
33.0m	Burford	260	+2 ..	0.4	0.1	58.1
11.0m	CCA Galleries	180	● +3	4.0	4.0	23.8
19.0m	CDP	142	.. ..	4.1	2.9	7.0
19.5m	CML Micro	115	.. ..	..	..	..
8,916,000	CPU Comp	55	.. ..	..	..	16.1
15.4m	CSL Corp	91	● -2	2.7	3.3	12.2
———	Cairn Energy	210	.. ..	..	..	..
7,070,000	Camcotech	101	● -1	3.3	3.3	27.9
20.0m	Cap & Regional	113	+3	0.4	0.4	41.1
1,722,000	Carpet Propnts	58	.. ..	..	..	..
8,206,000	Castle Comm	227	.. ..	9.6	4.2	16.1
21.3m	Catalyst	88	.. ..	9.1	0.2	12.9
9,600,000	Central Motor	238	.. ..	5.5	2.3	25.4
452,000	Chancery Secs	235	-5 ..	4.0	2.6	18.0
16.5m	Chelsea Man	152	.. ..	..	..	..
1,354,000	Chem Methods	27	.. ..	..	..	..
2,274,000	Chloride	141	.. ..	..	..	9.9
28.4m	Clayvision	124	● +1	0.7	1.0	27.4
8,541,000	Cricaprint	124	+1	2.9	2.1	8.1
12.7m	Clarke Hooper	153	.. ..	3.7	2.4	16.8
5,580,000	Cluglins Gld	108	.. ..	..	..	..
52.6m	Coal Ox Hdgs	108	-6 ..	..	..	..
20.6m	Coated Electrodes	98	.. ..	5.5	5.9	8.4
21.1m	Cobra Emerald	68	.. ..	..	..	..
2,444,000	Colorgram	219	+3	6.2	2.8	17.1
34.0m	Colorgraphic	219	+3	6.2	2.8	17.1
33.7m	Colourvision	252	+12	4.5	1.8	23.4
8,653,000	Co of Designers	180	● ..	4.1	4.6	10.8
8,432,000	Comp Financial	109	.. ..	6.4	5.3	13.1
12.3m	Compsoft	68	.. ..	..	..	8.9
———	Conroy Pet	58	+1 ..	..	..	..
25.8m	Cons Tern Invs	175	.. ..	4.9	2.3	33.9
9,335,000	Cons Microwave	175	.. ..	4.9	2.3	13.9
37.5m	Cook (DC)	155	-5 ..	3.9	2.5	21.5
13.6m	Copyrtons	128	.. ..	2.7	2.1	15.0
19.7m	Corporate Prop	54	-1 ..	1.0	1.5	32.3
24.5m	Coron Bch	71	+5 ..	0.7	1.0	12.1
9,453,000	Cowells	116	● ..	4.8	4.2	10.6
5,852,000	Crangstorm	93	+5 ..	3.0	3.2	39.9
7,407,000	Crawcrook	75	.. ..	0.7	0.9	39.9
7,140,000	Cramswich	165	+6 ..	7.6	7.2	10.2
4,283,000	Creston Lodge	72	+3 ..	3.2	4.4	12.8
7,281,000	Crompton Labs	198	+5 ..	8.3	2.7	18.9
9,127,000	Crown TV Prods	95	+2 ..	..	..	24.6
6,380,000	Danes (DY)	120	.. ..	5.5	4.6	9.5
1,912,000	Davis & Bowes	101	.. ..	5.5	5.4	15.4
2,800,000	De Brett (Andre)	35	.. ..	..	..	37.2
15.9m	De Vere	328	.. ..	8.0	3.4	..
8,897,000	Delmar	93	.. ..	5.5	3.8	10.0
3,320,000	Demmens Elec	157	.. ..	5.5	3.8	9.0
84.1m	Dewey Warren	232	.. ..	..	..	8.3
27.3m	Dolphin Packaging	187	-5 ..	9.7	5.2	..
24.0m	Druck	357	.. ..	7.4	1.9	15.8
9,453,000	Dunton	132	+½ ..	0.8	2.5	20.0
———	Dudley Jenkins	101	.. ..	..	..	..
9,114,000	Eadie	258	● ..	2.0	4.4	28.8
8,097,000	Edmg Elect Optics	98	+2	2.7	3.8	7.4
———	Ecotric	..	.. ..	..	..	..
11.2m	Ecsn Forestry	68	-1 ..	4.1	5.1	11.3
3,986,000	Ecsn Oil & Gas	39	.. ..	..	..	72.5
22.5m	Electra Hdgs 'A'	328	+6	10.8	2.2	15.4
15.8m	Electron House	144	+3	5.5	3.9	60.4
8,839,000	Entertainment Prod	27½	.. ..	..	..	12.3
23.5m	Epwin	164	-1 ..	6.4	3.9	13.4
6,455,000	Eve Construction	141	-2 ..	2.9	4.8	9.6
44.7m	Expedier Leisure	122	+7	2.9	2.4	20.4
14.6m	Explorers Hdgs	39½	+1½ ..	..	..	..
———	F & H Group	162	.. ..	..	..	14.5
———	Fairhaven Ind	17½	-½ ..	..	..	..
5,372,000	Fairway London	88	-5 ..	4.1	6.0	11.4
6,426,000	Foodbank	78	+5 ..	3.4	4.5	20.2
———	Fulham Mtrlwy	50	.. ..	..	..	..
4,310,000	Fyfestmark	17	-½ ..	..	..	9.3
144.6m	Fields (Mss)	95	.. ..	..	..	..
21.2m	Filotex	148	.. ..	4.5	3.0	14.3
65.3m	Finalrand	38	-5 ..	..	..	..
22.1m	Fletcher Daniels	141	.. ..	..	..	6.6
9,923,000	Flotech	45	.. ..	..	..	7.9
33.2m	Flogas	180	+20 ..	..	..	13.1
18.9m	Floyd Oil	32	+1 ..	..	..	..
82.6m	Ford Sellar	116	● ..	..	..	27.5
12.5m	Forward Gp	175	● ..	3.7	2.1	15.2
12.7m	Freeman Gp	223	-3 ..	9.3	4.2	11.7
19.0m	French Conn	128	● -10	7.2	6.0	7.2
60.6m	Fuller Smith 'A'	566	-3 ..	7.5	1.5	20.5
6,462,000	GWR Gp	455	+30 ..	..	..	..
5,005,000	GC Trading	53	-2 ..	2.7	5.1	9.9
18.9m	Gabbitt	138	.. ..	4.9	3.6	12.1
8,456,000	Gardner (DC)	151	.. ..	..	..	17.4
11.0m	Gee (Cecil)	123	● ..	1.7	1.4	30.8
6,419,000	Gibbon Lyons	160	.. ..	5.7	3.6	18.7
11.4m	Gibbs Mew	236	-5 ..	8.5	2.6	18.8
5,005,000	Global Gp	65	+4 ..	4.1	6.3	11.3

Capitalisation £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
5,611,000	Godwin Warren	116	-10	3.0	2.6	18.5
24.0m	Goodhead Print	186	+6	5.5	3.0	14.7
18.8m	Graham Motor Gp	178	.. ..	1.7	1.0	..
9,940,000	Granyte Surface	71	● ..	4.0	5.6	10.0
22.3m	Great Southern	168	+2 ..	8.2	5.5	15.6
15.9m	Green (Ernest)	208	.. ..	5.8	2.8	15.1
2,450,000	Greenwich Cable	35	.. ..	..	..	..
13.7m	Guidehouse	80	● ..	1.3	2.2	15.0
13.3m	Halls Homes	185	+1 ..	5.1	2.7	23.0
8,493,000	Hampden Homecare	98	-1 ..	2.5	2.8	10.4
9,425,000	Handley Walker	148	.. ..	..	..	16.6
14.8m	Harmony Leisure	57	.. ..	0.1	0.2	..
12.0m	Hatfield Estates	160	.. ..	2.1	1.3	..
71.8m	Hawtborn Leslie	457	r -5	4.8	1.0	45.5
9,548,000	Health Care	63	.. ..	1.2	1.9	15.9
3,737,000	Hexhrose	720	-15	17.0	2.4	19.4
8,988,000	Do 'A' LV	663	+3	17.0	2.6	17.8
7,557,000	Hewerdon	110	.. ..	3.7	3.4	18.5
12.3m	Hey & Croft	184	+6	5.3	3.2	12.1
38.4m	Highland Part	235	+14	..	..	52.0
5,212,000	Hills Ergonom	46	.. ..	2.7	5.9	10.9
13.3m	Hobson	98	.. ..	..	..	42.9
43.7m	Hodgson	218	+1	3.2	1.5	18.2
4,440,000	Holders Tech	148	.. ..	..	..	..
575.9m	Holmes Protection	104	.. ..	..	..	..
12.4m	Honeysuckle Gp	158	.. ..	5.8	3.7	14.5
13.2m	Hornby	168	+6	5.3	3.2	12.1
82.8m	Hughes Food	102	.. ..	0.7	0.7	39.2
13.8m	Hughes (HT)	74	.. ..	..	..	..
7,198,000	Humbrol Elec	24	-1 ..	..	..	..
4,857,000	Hundleigh Tech	95	.. ..	0.7	1.3	39.2
4,405,000	INSTEM	98	● +15	3.4	3.5	20.2
———	Image Storage	91	+1 ..	..	..	..
7,009,000	Imsc	10½	+½ ..	..	..	1.3
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Research may hit Amersham

6 10 REPORTING THIS WEEK

TODAY

Amersham International, the high-technology, health care and chemicals group which is the most sensitive to exchange rate movements in the pharmaceuticals sector, reports preliminary results, and analysts are expecting them to be disappointing.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, last week downgraded its profits forecast to £24 million, saying the main area of disappointment is likely to come from the important research products division. It also expects the figures to be accompanied by a cautionary note on the impact of exchange rates on the current year's prospects.

Morgan Stanley, the US securities house, also forecasts profits of £24 million, and expects adverse currency influences to reduce profits by £2 million.

Interims: Borthwick, Durban Roodepoort Deep, East Rand Proprietary Mines, M&G Group, Piccadilly Radio.

Finals: Amersham International, Anglovaal, Blyvooruitzicht Gold Mining, Braithwaite Group, Bromsgrove Industries, HT Hughes, Illingworth, Morris, Middle Witwatersrand (Western Areas), NMC Group, Oxford Instruments Group, Sheraton Securities International, Sketchley, Zandpan Gold Mining.

TOMORROW

Redfearn, the Yorkshire glass and packaging company in which Australian businessman Mr Dick Pratt's Overseas Strategic Investments has a near-30 per cent stake, reveals its interim figures. Analysts are going for pretax profits of about £2 million, against £1.1 million.

The group's plastic bottle business should start to show an improvement as the result of increases in capacity and a full-year profits total of £6.5 million is expected (£4.07 million).

Reed International, the £2.3 billion international publishing group which last week confirmed that it was selling its paper and packaging operations in a management buyout for £750 million, reports results for the 12 months to March 31.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd forecasts a rise in pretax profits from £188.2 million to £242 million, and says that its forecast reflects steady progress in the earnings growth of British and US publishing, helped by a £20 million initial contribution from Octopus. Phillips & Drew and James Capel go for a lower figure of £235 million.

The group's decision to focus most of its attention on publishing, which currently accounts for almost two-thirds of its trading profits, has prompted market speculation that it could find itself subjected to an unwelcome bid.

News International holds a 2.4 per cent stake in Reed, while Mr Robert Maxwell, the publisher, is also believed to have a small shareholding.

Interims: Alexanders Holdings, Archimedes Investment Trust, Hambros Advanced Technology Trust, Hunter-Print Group, North British Steel Group Holdings, PWS Holdings, Redfearn, Sturge Holdings.

Finals: Allied Colloids Group, Atkins Brothers (Hosiery), Chapman Industries, CML Microsystems, Coalite Group, Dwek Group, Evans of Leeds, Great Portland Estates, Metal Box, Norcros, Reed International, J Rothschild Holdings, Rowlinson Securities.

WEDNESDAY

Interims: Brooke Tool Engineering (Holdings), Thomas French and Sons, Hardanger Properties, Harrisons Malaysian Plantations Berhad, Mecca Leisure Group, Reliant Motors, Westland Group.

Finals: Borland International Incorporated, Caffyns, CE Heath, M&G Second Dual Trust, Osborne & Little, Regalian Properties.

THURSDAY

Boots, the pharmaceuticals and high street shops group, reports preliminary results. Analysts' pretax profit forecasts range between £235 million and £247.5 million, against £221.8 million last time.

The group has persistently promised much more than it has actually delivered. Sales for the first few months of the current year declined sharply and so margins have remained stagnant. Analysts say that overseas losses are greater than forecast and £10 million of currency conversion losses are expected in the current year.

Boots' Ibuprofen drug has suffered from falling prices in the US and it is widely expected that the company will be incapable of extracting the full potential from Manoplax, its new heart drug.

Beecham, the drugs group, reports annual results, and hopes are high that Mr Robert Bauman, the chairman, will come up with the goods ahead of an important New York analysts' meeting later this month. This will, no doubt, focus attention on the group's Eminase thromboid drug which Beecham hopes to launch on the US and British markets next year.

Analysts' forecasts range between £400 million and £408 million, against last year's £352.3 million.

They feel that the company's performance would have been helped by impressive sales of Augmentin, its antibiotic, and strong margin growth on the consumer side.

British Telecom, Britain's privately-owned, near-monopoly telephone operator, which has been dogged by scathing criticism of its service quality after last year's strike, and fears of increased competition from Mercury, will be hoping to appease shareholders with an impressive set of results.

Analysts' pretax profit forecasts range from £2.27 billion to £2.32 billion, compared with £2.07 billion last time. The final quarter's earnings growth has been affected by the emphasis which was placed on improving service quality and BT's efforts to have more than 90 per cent of payphones working at any one time.

Analysts believe that future earnings growth will slow down to between 5 per cent and 8 per cent, as BT's ability to raise prices is likely to be restricted after Oftel, the Government's telecommunications watchdog, completes its review later this month of the formula which has controlled telephone prices since BT was privatized.

Interims: BAA, Bradstock Group, Camford Engineering, Carr's Milling Industries, Johnson & Firth Brown, Lonrho, RCO Holdings, Sidlaw Group.

Finals: Beecham Group, Boots, British Telecom, N Brown Group, Business Mortgages Trust, Cater Allen Holdings, Electrocomponents, James Finlay, Hunter Saphir, ITL Information Technology, Learmonth & Burchett Management Systems, Leigh Interests, Lynton Property & Reversionary, New Throgmorton Trust, Phoenix Timber Group, 600 Group.

FRIDAY

Interims: Appletree Holdings, First Union General Investment Trust.

Finals: Hicking Pentecost, Jarvis Porter Group, Property Partnerships, Somic.

Geoffrey Foster

ECONOMIC VIEW

Much to crow about in Lawson swan-song

The Chancellor hinted immediately after the Budget that his tax-reforming days were over. Now, in what could be interpreted as his swan-song on the subject, he has set out, in a Conservative Political Centre pamphlet*, his own assessment of the Government's achievements in this area.

Apart from the fact that nine years' worth of tax reform makes a fairly long list of changes, Mr Lawson has three essential points. The first is that tax on companies has been shifted from employment to profits. Secondly, the tax on individuals has moved from income to spending. Third, income tax has been moved from "the great mass of the population to the better off."

The first two are straightforward enough. The elimination of the national insurance surcharge and the 1984 corporation tax reforms have acted upon the bias against employment that existed in the tax system and ensured that the profits boom of the past couple of years has been translated into a revenue boom.

Similarly, the increase in VAT to 15 per cent that was almost the first act of Mrs Thatcher's government in 1979, has ensured that the consumer spending boom has been accompanied by a surge in indirect tax receipts. The bigger the boom, the higher the proportion of spending that is on goods which are not zero-rated for VAT purposes.

The Chancellor's third point is rather more problematical. It is indeed the case that the top 5 per cent of taxpayers are expected to contribute 28 per cent of total income tax this year, against 24 per cent in 1978-79. But it is also true that there has hardly been a reduction in the direct tax burden for the majority of people.

A Treasury written answer on May 17 provided the details. For a married man with two children on average earnings, the proportion of income taken by income tax and national insurance contributions fell from 25 per cent in 1978-79 to an expected 24.5 per cent in 1988-89. At half average earnings it increased from 12.2 to 16 per cent.

At the other end of the income scale, the reductions do indeed come through, with a drop from 49.3 to 34.7 per cent for those on five times' average earnings, and from 74.4 to 38.7 per cent for those on 20 times' the average.

The Government, and not least the present Chancellor, have much to crow about on tax reform. Incentives have been sharpened and the climate for enterprise has been transformed. The next stage, particularly with the community charge looming, must be to spread the reform further down the income scale.

Tax Reform... the Government's Record, Conservative Political Centre, 32 Smith Square, London SW1, price £1.75.

Reflection on sterling

Sterling's sharp fall last week and the Bank of England's almost gleeful increase in short-term interest rates is not the end of this particular story. But the weekend break in the markets gives pause for reflection and last week's episode raises questions.

How can the pound be valued at almost DM3.20 on Monday and struggle to stay above DM3.10 by Friday, when the new information available to the markets has been minimal? Those in search of reassurance of efficient behaviour by the foreign exchange markets point to the strong German gross national product figures out last week, which showed a 1.5 per cent first-quarter rise and 4.2 per cent year-on-year growth. They also point to the deteriorating British balance of payments and the expectation of higher US interest rates.

As an explanation for sterling's sudden fall from grace it looked thin. Perhaps the only way to characterize foreign exchange market behaviour as efficient, is if currency performance itself is regarded as part of the new information available to dealers. Thus, sterling's fall contributed to its further decline by changing expectations, just as its earlier rise created a climate which guaranteed further gains. And it is anyone's guess when the markets decide to turn.

All of which adds to the unease when economic policy is excessively dominated by the exchange rate. The Treasury and the Bank of England have got a more satisfactory mix of sterling and interest rates than they had, but the present position is clearly temporary. Volatility, for interest and exchange rates, lies ahead.

And the blame for much of this must rest with the disagreement on exchange rate management — which remains — between the Prime Minister and the Chancellor. Sterling's uncontrolled rise in March was a serious chink in the Group of Seven armour, which had held together remarkably well since the February 1987 Louvre accord. Since sterling became a more volatile currency, so the markets have gradually come back round to the view that they, and not the central banks, are in control.

David Smith

Economics Correspondent

Caravan makers in export drive

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

Britain's caravan makers, whose numbers almost halved as trade plummeted during 1974-84, are experiencing a surge in production, fuelled by rising demand here and on the Continent.

The economy of Humberside, the traditional centre for caravan making which sprang out of the Hull port's traffic in timber and aluminium, has benefited as a result. It is still by far the biggest single centre of caravan production, with about 20 manufacturers, including ABI Caravans, the market leader, Cosalt, Swiss Caravans, Atlas and Willoughby. Cosalt is one of the few quoted caravan makers; Willoughby is part of the Burndene group.

There are nearly 50 British manufacturers, including Caravans International in Newmarket, Bailey in Bristol and BK Bluebird in Poole, Dorset.

Last year, sales of caravan holiday homes rose 10 per cent to 22,500 on the previous year, while those of touring caravans rose 8 per cent to 28,500. Total production was worth about £300 million.

Export sales rose by two-thirds in value to almost £37 million. The French are the keenest on caravan touring of all Europeans, followed by the Dutch and British. Exports to France rose 45 per cent; sales to the Benelux countries doubled, while exports to the Irish Republic were up a third.

Growth has continued this year, according to early statistical returns to the National Caravan Council, the industry's trade body. Sales of tourers are estimated to have risen by up to 5 per cent on the same period last year while those of holiday homes have leapt 30 per cent, although much of this is attributed to replacing caravans damaged in the October hurricane.



Successful selling: Terry Stewart, ABI's marketing director

A big influence on the export picture has been ABI which produces touring caravans and those used for holiday homes. It has just won a Queen's Award for Exports.

Mr Terry Stewart, ABI's sales and marketing director, said: "To make a success of the French market has meant having French speakers in all our departments. We have taken caravans into Iceland on skis. Now we are putting a toe into the Japanese market.

"A £7,000 holiday-home type caravan has been bought for exhibition in Tokyo — it took £3,000 to ship it there — because the Japanese are considering using caravans as homes on the city periphery. The all-in cost of the British caravan would still be far less than providing conventional housing," he said.

Howden affair comes to court

By Alison Eadie

The trial of Mr Ian Posgate, the former "Goldfinger" of the Lloyd's insurance market, and four others involved in the Alexander Howden affair begins today at Guildhall.

Mr Kenneth Grob, the former chairman of Alexander Howden Group, Mr Allan Page, Mr Jack Carpenter and Mr Colin Hart are also defendants in the first of the big Lloyd's scandals to reach court.

The Howden affair erupted in 1982, when Alexander & Alexander Services, the American insurance broker, took over the British company and discovered that substantial amounts of money were missing.

Alexander & Alexander Services issued writs against former executives of the Alexander Howden Group to try to regain the missing money and Lloyd's took disciplinary action which resulted in Mr Grob, Mr Carpenter and Mr Hart being expelled and fined.

Mr Posgate's expulsion by Lloyd's was reduced to a temporary suspension on appeal, but his attempt to rejoin Lloyd's as a working underwriter was blocked on "fit and proper person" grounds. Mr Page avoided disciplinary action through pleading ill health.

The Fraud Squad arrested the five men last July and charged them with conspiracy to defraud.

Mr Grob, Mr Posgate, Mr Carpenter and Mr Page were alleged to have conspired to defraud Alexander Howden, its subsidiaries and associate companies by falsely representing that a syndicate of buyers of the Banque du Rhône et de la Tamise in Geneva was independent of Howden.

The offence was said to have taken place between October 1979 and September 1982.

Mr Carpenter, Mr Page and Mr Hart were charged with offences of conspiring to defraud members of two Lloyd's syndicates between January 1974 and May 1977.

Sainsbury gears up for car servicing

By Daniel Ward
Motor Industry Correspondent

J Sainsbury is expected to announce next week that it is joining forces with Unigate's Arlington Motor Holdings operation to establish a chain of 20 fast-fit car servicing centres on the sites of Sainsbury's Homebase do-it-yourself superstores.

The move into the £5 billion market for car repairs emulates the diversification begun by B&Q, Woolworth's DIY subsidiary.

Arlington's fast-fit venture will be be called Motorfit, and its green and beige colours will match those of Homebase. In addition to the 20 centres adjacent to Homebase stores, Arlington plans to open 40 Motorfit centres near the group's existing franchised garages.

Mr John Heywood, the managing director of Arlington, said last week that the pressure "to go all-make servicing" was inescapable, although he stressed that it was very difficult to integrate with the franchise system, where car manufacturers have considerable control over what dealers can do.

Mr Heywood predicted that in the future the distribution dominance of the car manufacturers would be challenged by 10 to 15 large groups of dealers.

"I also see the large groups developing independent branded activities and offering them on a franchised basis in those locations in which they are not currently represented," he said.

Mr Roger Pedder, a Harris Queensway executive, asked leading motor trade executives at a conference last week why there were few garages on the growing number of out-of-town retail parks; 25 parks were opened in 1987.

Arlington will be chasing the success of Kwik-Fit, the market leader which now has 450 centres in Britain.

Kwit-Fit's sales have increased from £15 million in 1980 to £125 million in the past financial year.

Bonn growth 'to slow'

Munich (Reuter) — West German consumer demand, which has become a main pillar of support for the economy, is expected to grow by a real 3 per cent this year, according to the IFO economic institute.

Last year, consumer demand rose by more than 4 per cent. The slowdown meant retailers would be unable to keep sales at 1987 levels.

The retail industry is expected to see sales rise by a real 2.5 per cent this year and wholesale turnover by a real 2 per cent.

Picked for the County

The 25 redundancies at Chase Manhattan Securities, announced at the end of last week, included, I can reveal, a number of well-known and highly respected stock market figures. Among the casualties of the firm's surprise decision to pull out of the brewing, food retailing and food manufacturing sectors, were Russell Tickner, once the star of Pinchin Denny's engineering market-making team; Mike Whitaker, who also boasts an impressive pedigree and Micky Lawless. Lawless, aged 31, who dealt in gold shares for Akroyd before moving to Chase two years ago, was on the job market for barely an hour. Told of his redundancy at about 4pm on Thursday he had been snapped up by County NatWest Wood Mac within an hour and his contract was signed and all but sealed before midnight. While at Chase Lawless had specialized in overseas traders, foods and, more recently, building stocks, and he will now run a major book for County. Ever the trader, Lawless tells me: "It's sad to be leaving Chase, but life must go on and, in my eyes, County is a chart buy." John Chiene, head of County NatWest Wood Mac, is equally delighted that the recruitment tide there has turned. "We anticipate making a number of further appointments in the relatively near future," he says. Tickner and Whitaker should not be kicking their heels for

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Lighting up the board

Clearly keen to promote its own products, BAT gave away packets of 60 cigarettes to shareholders at its annual meeting in London's Queen Elizabeth Conference Centre last week. First among the 2,000-strong crowd to light up was finance director David Slobom. Among the other high-profile puffers flanking chairman Patrick Sheehy were liaison chief Eric Bruell and deputy chairman Brian Garraway. One 80-year-old shareholder, who boasted that he had always smoked and was still fighting fit, went on to wonder whether cancer could really be related to smoking. As quick as striking a match Sheehy replied: "There should be more research into that question."

Bare market

Perhaps sex appeal and financial services are not as incompatible as we had always been led to believe they were. An imaginative entrepreneur in the seaside resort of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is starting up what is believed to be the first topless cheque-cashing business, called Tops Check Cashing. Customers will be able to chat to two bare-breasted hostesses as they queue for their cash and, in anticipation of long queues, the girls will also be selling beer, cigarettes, soft drinks and snacks to those standing in line. In return for providing this service Tops Check Cashing pockets up to 10 per cent of the value of the cheques cashed. "If topless girls can lure customers into a bar, why not a cheque-cashing business?" asks director Arnold Van, with impeccable logic. Barclays and NatWest have, I am sure, taken note.

● A comment overheard in a City watering hole, relevant to the latest flurry of takeover activity: "Always remember . . . money is thicker than blood."



"Sandra, meet Mr Wriggle. Mr Wriggle is in the Guinness Book of Records for talking about escalating house prices longer than anyone else in the world"

Gondola of Paris

Londoners who complained about the airship that kept drifting through the skies above the capital last year will be relieved to learn that it has headed for pastures new. The curious Skyship 600, owned by Alan Bond's Airship Industries, has, I hear, just arrived at Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris, from where it will be making five trips a day around the Paris Peripherique ring road. The airship will sail at 1,500 feet, giving the dozen or so passengers on board — paying 985 francs a time — a bird's eye view. Its sponsors in Britain were restricted to British Caledonian and Fuji, but the French corporate community is much more enthusiastic, with Fiat, Coca Cola, Toshiba and UAP — the French equivalent of the Pru, controlling 5 per cent of the French stock market — all vying to have their names emblazoned on its side. Airship's European marketing manager Nick Greenwood dismisses the moaning Londoners as "probably professional complainers. The Skyship uses two ordinary car engines, admittedly from a Porsche," he says. "It's simply that the noise comes from an unusual direction."

● A joker at the Civil Aviation Authority, which controls the movement of aircraft around Britain, has pinned up a paper clock. Underneath it is scrawled the claim that the clock is more accurate than any other at the CAA's London HQ because at least it is right twice a day.

Carol Leonard

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Charter Cons	Industrials A-D	
2	Usher Walker	Paper,Print,Adv	
3	Goring Kerr	Industrials E-K	
4	Hanson (aa)	Industrials E-K	
5	Merlin Intl	Property	
6	Wickes	Drapery,Stores	
7	Mountleigh	Property	
8	Barr & WA 'A'	Leisure	
9	Smiths Ind (aa)	Industrials S-Z	
10	Hutchsn Whampoa	Industrials E-K	
11	Laing (J)	Building,Roads	
12	Rank Org (aa)	Industrials L-R	
13	Reed Executive	Industrials L-R	
14	Ropner	Industrials L-R	
15	Neill (J)	Industrials L-R	
16	Watts Blake	Building,Roads	
17	Ellis & Goldstein	Drapery,Stores	
18	Alexon	Drapery,Stores	
19	Cambridge Elec	Electricals	
20	Ntm Foods (aa)	Foods	
21	Electronic Mach	Electricals	
22	GEC (aa)	Electricals	
23	Lambert Howarth	Shoes, Leather	
24	Tiphook	Shipping	
25	Powerscreen	Industrials L-R	
26	Assoc Newspaper	Newspapers,Pub	
27	Aran Energy	Oil,Gas	
28	HK Shanghai	Banks,Discount	
29	Banks (Sidney C)	Foods	
30	Grand Met (aa)	Hotels,Caterers	
31	Estates & Agency	Property	
32	Redland (aa)	Building,Roads	
33	Preedy (Alfred)	Drapery,Stores	
34	Garton Eng	Industrials E-K	
35	LWT Hldgs	Cinemas,TV	
36	HTV Group	Cinemas,TV	
37	Triton Europe	Oil,Gas	
38	Greene King	Breweries	
39	Home Counties	Newspapers,Pub	
40	Copson PLC	Building,Roads	
41	Westland	Motors,Aircraft	
42	Crystalate	Electricals	
43	Morgan Grenfell	Banks,Discount	
44	Br Mohair	Textiles	

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Capitalization and change on week

(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)
ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings begin today. Dealings end June 17. §Contango day June 20. Settlement day June 27.
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BREWERIES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
3,199.9m	Allied-Lyons (aa)	428	●-8	17.9	4.0	11.2
2,674.6m	Bass (aa)	789	●-15	29.0	3.4	11.8
84.1m	Belhaven	45	●..	1.4	3.1	13.2
139.8m	Boddington	152	+1	5.4	3.6	15.7
36.6m	Buckleys	164	+8	4.4	2.7	30.8
92.8m	Bullmer (H P)	173	+1	6.2	3.6	12.7
39.6m	Burtonwood Brew	148	-1	4.0	2.7	23.9
32.4m	Clark (Matthew)	365	-10	13.7	3.8	12.2
144.5m	Devenish (JA)	386	-5	4.1	1.1	39.1
243.3m	Greenall Whitley	235	●-5	8.3	3.9	12.2
197.2m	Greene King	470	●-10	9.3	2.0	24.1
2,692.0m	Guinness (aa)	324	+8	12.6	3.9	10.7
28.4m	Hardys & Hansons	710	●..	28.5	4.0	15.3
149.7m	Highland Dist	121	●-1	3.5	2.9	16.5
62.7m	Invergordon Dist	273	+34	7.9	2.9	16.5
197.8m	Irish Dist	316	+64	..	..	..
105.2m	Marston Thompson	121	+1	3.6	3.2	18.4
42.7m	Morland	518	●..	10.9	2.1	20.5
812.0m	SA Breweries	1030	●+15	..	..	..
1,164.2m	Scot & Newc (aa)	319	●-5	11.3	3.5	17.7
264.8m	Vaux Grp	560	●-5	21.5p	3.9	17.1
1,244.3m	Whitbread 'A' (aa)	399	+8	14.7	4.7	10.2
55.5m	Do 'B'	335	..	13.7	4.7	11.2
211.3m	Whitbread Inv	338	..	12.3	3.7	39.0
256.2m	Wolverhmptn & D	491	..	8.2	2.0	17.9
12.3m	Young 'A'	435	+5	12.0	2.8	24.8

BUILDING, ROADS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
162.8m	Abbey	265	●+15	..	..	..
258.8m	Amec	378	●+4	17.8	4.7	10.7
66.4m	Anglo Sec	443	●..	24.0	5.4	28.1
56.0m	Anglo Utd	45	+1	1.4	3.1	63.3
6,650.000	Amalgtd	133	+3	4.3	3.2	8.4
178.1m	Attwoods	306	●..	8.8	2.9	17.4
1,169.0m	BPB Ind (aa)	395	●+5	9.5	2.4	11.6
92.4m	Baggeridge Brick	312	..	5.0	1.6	22.0
3,814.000	Bailey (Eben) Constr	73	..	1.9	2.6	15.1
319.1m	Barratt Devs	179	-1	12.6	7.0	11.8
107.5m	Bellway	287	●+2	11.0	3.8	12.9
32.0m	Bellwinch	103	..	2.9	2.8	9.3
143.5m	Berkeley Gp	343	..	3.5	1.0	19.9
15.4m	Best Bros	163	..	4.8	4.7	23.7
45.0m	Blockleys	389	●+15	24.0	6.2	10.7
1,072.7m	Blue Circle (aa)	415	..	20.6	5.0	8.7
18.4m	Boot (Henry)	348	..	19.3	5.6	8.2
37.9m	Breedon PLC	270	-3	8.7	3.2	28.7
23.6m	Br Dredging	137	+9	6.9	5.0	20.8
290.5m	Bryant	145	+1	4.4	3.0	17.2
376.0m	CRH	133	+10	..	..	..
5,670.000	Calsonroad Robey	106	..	3.1	4.7	17.7
160.0m	Caradon	234	-7	10.7	3.2	12.6
103.6m	Church Charles	320	-17	1.3	1.1	13.1
28.4m	Conder Grp	345	..	7.5	2.2	11.8
7,775.000	Copson PLC	134	+4	7.2	1.8	73.2
551.2m	Costain	311	●..	13.2	4.2	10.1
111.5m	Countryside	310	..	3.0	1.0	15.2
163.0m	Crest Nicholson	217	..	7.8	3.6	10.9
11.5m	Crosby James	106	●-1	2.4	2.3	..
40.9m	Douglas (RM)	270	..	4.3p	1.6	21.1
36.8m	Eng	95	..	4.1	4.3	12.8
25.8m	Federated Hsg	282	..	6.9	2.4	10.3
21.5m	Finlan Gp	64	..	6.2p	7.4	12.7
42.9m	Gibbond	84	..	3.6	6.6	14.3
4,054.000	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	233	●-1	15.2	9.5	10.5
46.0m	Gleeson (MJ)	480	●..	9.5	2.0	11.5
25.5m	Hamson Ind	215	-7	8.2	3.8	13.3
83.7m	Henderson	371	..	10.3	2.8	34.2
135.6m	Hewden-Stuart	330	●..	7.2	2.2	11.5
143.8m	Heywood Williams	291	●..	13.0	4.5	10.6
112.9m	Higgs & Hill	336	●+2	12.3	3.7	10.5
36.0m	How Gp	79	●..	4.1	5.2	10.1
13.5m	Howard Hldgs	94	..	3.9	4.1	9.8
314.2m	Ibstock Johnson	160	..	3.4	2.1	10.4
12.4m	Jarvis (J) & Sons	153	●+14	2.4	1.6	31.5
143.8m	Laing (J)	325	●+5	9.6	3.0	11.0
137.5m	Do 'A'	325	●+5	9.6	3.0	9.5
69.4m	Lawrence (Walter)	150	●-1	5.5	4.3	10.4
35.2m	Lilley (FJC)	44	..	..	..	5.7
137.0m	Lovell (Y.J)	242	-3	8.9	2.9	12.0
444.4m	Magnet (aa)	243	..	9.6	3.5	12.5
56.2m	Manders	180	..	7.3	3.8	21.2
397.0m	Marley	144	+1	8.9	4.8	10.3
99.2m	Marshalls (Halifax)	240	..	9.7	4.0	11.6
22.8m	Maunders (J)	94	+2	2.9	3.1	15.2
150.6m	McAlpine (Alfred)	427	..	21.9	5.1	8.6
227.7m	McCarthy & S	327	..	7.3	2.2	15.6
355.4m	Meyer Int	366	..	9.9	2.7	12.0
6,000.000	Miller (Stanley)	100	+4	1.7	1.7	69.9
39.5m	Mowlem (John)	381	●-2	23.6	6.2	9.9
0.147.0m	NSM	10	..	..	..	..
140.7m	Newarthill	214½	●..	..	..	31.3
115.2m	Newman Tonks	182	●+3	10.6	5.8	13.3
139.3m	Persimmon	170	..	4.1	2.4	13.7
19.2m	Pochins Timber	35	..	3.4	9.7	11.3
7,436.000	Pochins	715	..	21.9	3.1	7.9
897.0m	RMC Gp (aa)	470	●..	15.1	3.2	11.2
114.4m	Raine Ind	91	-1	2.7	3.0	18.5
1,106.6m	Redland (aa)	491	..	15.0	3.1	11.2
113.4m	Ruberoid	225	+16	5.8	2.6	16.3
381.7m	Rugby Group	297	+8	11.6	4.3	12.0
106.3m	Sendell Parkins	242	..	6.3	2.6	15.8
46.6m	Sharpe & Fisher	226	..	9.5	2.3	19.7
15.4m	Sheard (J)	131	+5	7.2	5.5	8.3
419.3m	Shelley	337	+7	12.7	3.8	11.7
1,718.3m	Tarmac (aa)	242	●-2	9.9	4.1	10.3
667.9m	Taylor Woodrow	432	●+5	14.0	3.2	14.2
72.0m	Tilbury Group	358	●-2	12.5	3.5	17.7
120.0m	Travis & Arnold	340	-1	8.9	2.6	12.5
10.9m	Trent	159	-5	1.6	1.0	23.3
21.5m	Turriff	337	+2	13.7	4.1	12.7
54.7m	Wimpey	175	●-1	17.1	9.8	10.2
39.4m	Ward Group	180	●..	5.9	3.3	14.3
85.6m	Ward Hldgs	163	..	3.3	2.0	10.4
9,246.000	Warrington	120	..	..	..	13.7
58.8m	Watts Blake	280	●-4	8.4	2.9	16.2
712.8m	Westbury	272	+2	7.9	2.9	12.5
36.0m	Wiggins	232	+31	7.1	3.1	18.4
148.0m	Wilson Bowden	222	●+1	5.8	2.6	12.1
350.1m	Wilson (Connolly)	186	●-2	2.7	1.4	15.0
686.2m	Wimpey G (aa)	174	-7	9.0	5.2	9.7
14.2m	YRM	119	..	3.3	2.8	12.7

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
330.6m	Allied Colloids	130	+4	2.8	2.2	17.9
234.4m	Amersham	480	+11	11.8	2.6	18.7
84.2m	BTP	144	..	7.9	5.5	15.5
5,111.5m	Bayer DM50	290½	+½	..	..	..
51.0m	Blagden	186	+1	10.6	6.4	12.0
74.5m	Brent Chems	192	..	7.5	3.9	12.6
34.5m	Canning (W)	190	+6	7.8	4.8	9.7
269.6m	Coalite	288	+4	12.3	4.3	9.4
204.9m	Coates Bros	360	-3	10.6	3.3	10.4
4,763.000	Cory (Horace)	178	●+1	10.0	5.6	11.6
411.6m	Croda	178	●-2	12.5	7.0	11.6
65.9m	Ellis & Everard	182	..	8.7	3.7	14.2
68.0m	Enodo	175	●+1	8.1	3.5	14.6
205.9m	Fosseco-Minsep	230	●..	14.5	3.8	11.6
22.4m	Halstead (James)	190	..	7.5	3.9	9.7
149.1m	Hickson	181	+1	7.0	3.9	11.7
4,459.0m	Hoechst DM50	288½	+½	..	..	..
6,834.6m	Imp Chem Ind (aa)	810	●+2	56.2	6.9	8.6
558.2m	Inspirx (aa)	407	●+2	16.0	3.9	10.5
62.0m	Leigh	243	+27	6.3	2.6	35.3
1,470.9m	Norsk Hydro	217½	r +1½	..	..	..
70.6m	Physi	183	+10	9.1	1.9	16.5
22.1m	Rearbrook Hldgs	285	..	6.8	2.4	28.5
371.8m	Rentokil	232	+6	4.4	1.9	17.0
77.2m	Sequa	358	●..	4.7	1.3	13.7
20.0m	Sutcliffe Speakman	140	..	..	..	24.0
20.3m	Wolsingham Rink	325	+5	14.0	4.3	10.3
35.2m	Yorkshire Chem	214	●-6	9.6	4.5	14.7
100.9m	Yule Catto	118	●+2	4.1	3.5	11.8

CINEMAS, TV

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
72.8m	Anglia TV 'A'	189	+2	8.0	4.7	23.5
138.2m	Central TV	339	..	30.7	5.6	8.8
6,009.000	Granada	48	-1	3.4	7.4	7.1
46.4m	HTV Group	220	+2	14.1	6.4	6.5
134.9m	LWT Hldgs	158	+8	8.1	5.1	9.8
452.3m	Scot TV	345	..	23.0	6.7	8.1
130.1m	TVS	338	●-2	17.1	5.0	9.9
14.2m	TSW	66	..	3.8	5.8	10.2
167.4m	Thames TV	334	+12	17.8	5.3	8.1
151.0m	TV-AM	154	●+1	7.6	4.9	10.4
57.3m	Tyne Tees TV	261	●-2	18.6	6.7	7.2
5,115.000	Ulster TV	83	●..	5.5	6.6	8.9
60.7m	Yorkshire TV	183	-1	10.7	5.8	7.3

DRAPERY, STORES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
75.9m	Alexon	387	+2	8.9	2.3	17.0
16.3m	Amber Day	61	+4	..	..	..
22.5m	Aquascutum 'A'	87	..	4.1	4.7	18.1
239.5m	Bailey (Laura)	126	●..	3.2	2.7	18.4
10.0m	Austin Reed	383	●..	11.6	3.0	20.5
69.9m	Do 'A'	391	●..	11.6	4.1	15.5
56.1m	Beattie (James) 'A'	187	●..	7.5	4.0	13.6
77.7m	Bentalls	197	●..	4.3	2.2	28.3
57.5m	Blacks Leis	174	..	..	..	..
280.4m	Body Shop	256	●+8	11.0	4.3	11.5
28.0m	Burns-Anderson	117	-1	4.8	4.1	18.1
10.7m	Carmella	220	..	23.0	10.5	9.6
23.8m	Cardcover	330	..	12.3	3.7	46.2
5,210.000	Carpetright	138	●-4	12.1	8.8	10.2
184.2m	Christies Int	548	..	17.8	3.2	12.1
17.6m	Clayton Thompson	260	..	12.1	4.7	10.0
16.9m	Ind Fin Inv	73	..	4.8	6.6	11.6
41.1m	Ivory & Sime	153	+7	7.9	5.9	15.0
54.9m	Lit	391	..	21.0	5.4	18.6
82.0m	Mayfair	289	..	9.0	3.1	14.5
80.5m	Mid Home Loans	125	●-2	9.0	7.2	11.2
44.3m	Do Bp%	124½	-3	825	6.6	..
20.6m	Newmarket	58	..	..	..	..
18.3m	Parrish Plc	151	..	13	0.7	22.9
5,013.000	Pentos Plc	131	●+6	..	..	..
169.5m	Singer & Fried	76	+1	1.4	1.9	18.9
151.2m	Templeton Gbrth	126	-4	4.3	3.4	8.6

FINANCE, LAND

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
46.9m	Abingworth	230	+4	1.7	0.7	..
40.7m	Ardent Hume	83	..	4.8	5.8	8.4
78.7m	Anglopaeic	283	●+1	13.7	5.2	7.7
24.6m	Ass Hannovers	78	-1	2.5	3.3	12.5
25.3m	Australia Inv	97	..	2.3	2.4	18.6
..	Berkeley Govett	185	..	..	..	..
838.9m	Br Commonwlth (aa)	258	●-8	11.0	4.3	11.5
28.0m	Burns-Anderson	117	-1	4.8	4.1	18.1
50.7m	Cardcover	330	..	12.3	3.7	46.2
23.8m	Candover	330	..	12.3	3.7	46.2
5,210.000	Cantrewq	138	●-4	12.1	8.8	10.2
184.2m	Christies Int	548	..	17.8	3.2	12.1
17.6m	Clayton Thompson	260	..	12.1	4.7	10.0
16.9m	Ind Fin Inv	73	..	4.8	6.6	11.6
41.1m	Ivory & Sime	153	+7	7.9	5.9	15.0
54.9m	Lit	391	..	21.0	5.4	18.6
82.0m	Mayfair	289	..	9.0	3.1	14.5
80.5m	Mid Home Loans	125	●-2	9.0	7.2	11.2
44.3m	Do Bp%	124½	-3	825	6.6	..
20.6m	Newmarket	58	..	..	..	..
18.3m	Parrish Plc	151	..	13	0.7	22.9
5,013.000	Pentos Plc	131	●+6	..	..	..
169.5m	Singer & Fried	76	+1	1.4	1.9	18.9
151.2m	Templeton Gbrth	126	-4	4.3	3.4	8.6

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
6,154.2m	American Express	214¾	+1⅛	..	..	..
20.7m	Argyle	97	..	4.1	4.2	25.5
241.9m	Britannia Arrow	114	..	7.5	6.2	7.8
197.1m	Daily Mail	231½	..	55.9	3.0	14.4
147.1m	Do 'A'	229½	..	55.9	3.0	13.5
119.1m	Eagle Trust	17	..	0.3	1.8	183.3
259.9m	Electra	198	+3½	6.1	3.1	40.0
21.2m	Exploration	175	+3½	4.3	1.9	19.0
61.1m	Framlington	203	+1	3.7	1.8	15.2
31.2m	Frost Gp	221	..	9.6	4.3	17.7
67.0m	GT Management	136	..	6.7	4.9	6.9
81.1m	Goode Durrant	175	..	3.9	2.2	16.7
148.0m	Hambros Admin	705	-30	35.6	5.0	8.8
91.8m	ICH	138	-5	12.3	8.9	5.6
320.8m	MAI	102	..	5.5	5.4	..
204.1m	MAM	256	+6	4.1	1.4	10.6
283.8m	N M G	370	+12	9.6	2.6	17.6
88.9m	Rutland	41	-1	0.3	0.7	24.7
80.1m	Smith New Court	172	-1	11.6	6.7	8.5
84.2m	Tyndall Hldgs	154	-6	6.9	4.5	14.9

FOODS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
1,263.2m	AB Food (aa)	287	-5	11.1	3.9	9.4
1,790.0m	ASDA Group (aa)	155	-5	5.1	3.3	13.6
6,788.000	Alpine Drinks	36	..	..	..	..
24.6m	Appletree Hlgs	149	..	4.1	2.9	25.9
1,712.8m	Argyll (aa)	196	-4½	6.6	3.5	16.7
30.0m	Associ Fisheries	171	..	6.7	4.9	17.0
12.7m	Banks (Sidney C)	190	..	9.3	4.9	5.8
122.2m	Barker & Dobson	144	..	4.8	3.3	14.3
38.9m	Barr (AG)	813	..	17.8	2.9	10.7
30.2m	Berisford Foods	221	..	10.1	4.6	14.5
12.6m	Bellairs	89	..	3.2	3.6	10.1
214.6m	Bejam	170	+1	6.9	4.1	14.5
644.4m	Berisford (S&W)	336	+14	19.2	5.7	13.5
522.9m	Booker	388	-5	21.3	5.5	14.2
31.2m	Bunlock	80	..	4.4	5.5	..
93.0m	Brake Bros	208	-7	3.7	1.8	18.4
2,369.2m	Cadbury-Schwp (aa)	295	-11	11.0	3.8	22.1
18.3m	Carrs Milling	238	..	9.9	4.2	8.5
13.2m	Chaldon Herring	172	..	12.1	7.0	6.1
26.0m	Do 'A'	186	..	12.1	6.4	8.3
17.5m	Cullens	76	..	..	..	..
884.7m	Dalgety (aa)	370	●-5	19.2	5.2	12.5
6,664.000	Dee (A)	170	+2	7.5	4.4	16.3
1,089.9m	Dee (aa)	198	-1	11.6	6.2	11.4
4,102.000	England (J)	68	+5	..	..	..
186.9m	FI Fyfies	116	..	..	..	..
341.0m	Geest (aa)	318	●+7	25	2.5	20.1
213.9m	Hitch Lovell	268	..	13.3	5.7	16.4
105.7m	Freshfields	158½	+3½	3.7	2.3	24.8
171.3m	Geest	248	●+2	5.5	2.2	19.8
35.6m	Glass Glover	263	..	9.7	3.7	18.0
418.7m	Hazlewood Foods	228	..	13.5	5.9	12.3
1,127.0m	Hillsdown (aa)	274	●-1	8.5	2.4	13.3
45.3m	Hunter Saphir	188	-7	4.9	2.6	18.7
118.6m	Iceland Frozen	268	..	6.0	1.6	21.3
5,223.0m	Ind Cmnls	358	●-5	9.7	2.7	13.2
5,381.000	Lees (John J)	110	+10	2.2	2.0	17.4
1,351.000	Lovell (GF)	143	..	2.7	1.9	20.5
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108.2m	Mallinson (Bernard)	95	..	2.4	2.5	11.9
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235.7m	Morrison (W)	292	+4	2.7	1.1	15.1
45.4m	Nichols (Vim)	243	..	10.6	4.4	13.5
35.9m	Norman Broadbent	80½	..	3.9	4.8	10.7
644.9m	Ntm Foods (aa)	282	●+3	12.3	4.2	12.8
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21.2m	Pacific Dairies	205	..	9.9	3.5	12.7
4,867.000	Pierrepont	65	..	..	..	..
1,155.3m	RHM (aa)	363	+5	12.0	3.3	15.1
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2,745.000	Tavener Rutledge	95	..	1.7	1.8	11.8
2,220.0m	Tesco (aa)	188	●+2	6.5	3.5	11.6
688.3m	Unigate (aa)	306	●-8	16.4	5.4	10.5
1,222.8m	Utd Biscuits (aa)	284	●+7	15.1	5.3	12.6
31.1m	Watson & Philp	205	+2	11.0	5.4	15.1

HOTELS, CATERERS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
23.5m	Friendly Hotels	262	+1	2.5	1.0	18.9
4,347.8m	Grand Met (aa)	367	+5	17.3	3.4	14.2
117.2m	Kennedy Brookes	146	..	6.0	4.1	11.1
1,808.3m	Ladbroke (aa)	450	●+16	19.0	4.5	14.5
111.2m	Norfolk Cap Gp	27	..	0.8	2.2	21.4
433.0m	Mount Charlotte	152	●-2	2.8	2.0	16.4
358.5m	Queens Moat	97	..	2.8	2.9	16.8
304.1m	Savoy Hotels 'A'	210½	..	6.9	0.6	33.5
263.2m	Stakis	101	..	2.4	2.4	17.1
1,854.5m	Trusthouse Fr (aa)	287	+8	9.7	4.1	16.4

INDUSTRIALS A-D

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
27.4m	AAF Inv	160	..	6.9	4.5	10.2
162.4m	AAH	275	-5	12.8	4.7	11.6
..	AB Foods	115	●+3	..	..	..
105.4m	AGB Research	241	●+22	10.6	4.4	18.1
22.7m	AIM	217	..	8.6	4.0	15.0
34.3m	APB	50	●..	2.1	4.2	12.0
352.2m	APV	144	..	5.8	5.0	10.8
45.1m	Aaronson	117	+2	7.5	6.4	10.2
101.4m	Advest	332	●..	13.2	4.1	14.1
25.7m	Aerospace Eng	198	..	3.9	2.0	14.4
15.8m	Alexandra Wheel	178	..	8.4	4.5	17.6
25.7m	Alumasc	210	..	10.5	5.0	7.5
9,001.000	Amber Ind	345	..	14.0	4.1	13.5
1,109.0m	Amdrug	1090	-4	5.4	0.5	22.0
9,173.000	Amour	41	..	0.8	2.0	12.9
30.3m	Ash & Lacey	720	..	41.1	5.7	16.9
6,161.000	Ashley	44	..	..	..	..
9,264.000	Ass Br Eng	4	..	..	..	1.9
2,669.000	Do 8%	220	●..	11.0	5.0	..
96.5m	Aurora	104	..	3.8	3.7	16.7
500.0m	Avis Europe	182	..	12.7	7.0	14.4
118.1m	Avon Rubber	696	●-4	17.1	2.5	41.8
6,400.000	Ayrshire Metal	138	●+3	2.7	2.1	9.8
1,410.0m	BAA (aa)	282	..	..	..	..
339.9m	BBA	168	+5	6.5	3.9	10.3
1,564.4m	BET Ord (aa)	230	●+6	13.0	5.7	10.2
97.3m	BM Gp	370	-10	3.8	1.0	22.2
1,758.9m	BOC (aa)	366	+12	18.0	4.7	10.7
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PRIVATE HEALTH

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A SPECIAL REPORT
Pictures by Ros Drinkwater
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Paying the price of keeping well

David Loshak analyses the Government's hopes that the private sector can help cure the growing ills of the NHS

The 40th anniversary of the National Health Service this year may mark its mid-life crisis but is, nonetheless, a justifiable occasion for celebration and, indeed, some self-congratulation. For all its faults and failings, the comprehensiveness and quality of state-provided health in Britain, when considered in the round, not just in terms of straightened hospital services, compares well with the best systems elsewhere.

There are, of course, many serious, disturbing and even dangerous shortcomings. But to suggest that they can be resolved, as the Government seems intent on doing, by calling in private sector aid, or even mitigated without swapping one set of problems for another, is to fly in the face of experience elsewhere.

No health system, however well funded and organized, or whatever the nature of the public-private mix, is coping happily with the central difficulty of modern medical provision, "infinite demand, finite resources", as Aneurin Bevan, the post-war Labour Minister of Health put it.

Nevertheless, Mrs Thatcher, John Moore, the Health Secretary, and their advisers are clearly looking to the private health sector for the answers.

It is understandable that the Government should find much to admire in the private sector. While the NHS has battled to keep its head above water, the private sector flourished. Private medicine has long ceased to be the preserve of executives and the well-off: it is considered essential by many trade unionists, small businesses and the self-employed, including, significantly, family doctors and quite a few Labour MPs. The private sector may still be small in comparison with the NHS, but it has grown to the point where nearly six million people, more than 10 per cent of the population, are covered. The value of its services corresponds – around £1,500 million this year.

The private sector has more than 200 hospitals, most of them built within the last 12 years. But while it still expands, the NHS, although it is still the best and usually the only resource in emergencies, is closing wards, keeping beds empty and urging surgeons to be less productive, while 700,000 people wait in pain and distress for so-called "routine" treatment. Private patients can have their operations where they want, when they want and from whom they want. The contrast is glaring.

Moreover, the private sector has impressive medical achievements to its credit. It has led the field in *in vitro* fertilization. It has pioneered advances in preventive care and modern surgical techniques.

Although only a tenth the size of the NHS hospital sector, it carries out a sixth of all major operations, a fifth of all heart operations and a quarter of hip replacements.

It does so, of course, at a price. Money buys health. But that is equally true of the NHS, which certainly does not come cheap, even if it seems "free", or almost so, at the point of delivery.

Having largely progressed from its emphasis on luxurious accommodation and cordon bleu menus, the private sector has learned to control its costs and can offer good value for money. For the poorest sections of the population, of course, it is not affordable. But for most people, it is. They have the choice. Family cover can cost a lot less than an average holiday. In principle, the private sector has the capacity and potential to take much of the excess pressure off the over-burdened health service. This could be achieved by collaborating with it on a greater scale, as well as through utilizing the disposable incomes of higher earners, perhaps allied to tax incentives or hypothecated taxation (to which the Treasury now seems less opposed than in the past), and by teaching the NHS, through example, to become more entrepreneurial.

'The private sector has impressive achievements'

But it will not be easy or painless. When Harris Austin, director of the Roding Hospital, Redbridge, Essex, learned that a 58-year-old local woman had suffered four cancellations of a hip replacement operation, he offered theatre time, a bed, full nursing care, food, physiotherapy and theatre staff free of charge. The package was worth £3,000. But the NHS turned him down.

The surgeon who would have carried out the operation said that to accept would have "opened the floodgates for other NHS patients on the waiting list". In other words, you either have rationing by price or rationing by queue.

If there is to be more fruitful co-operation between the NHS and the private sector, it must be on a systematic basis. But what system?

Even if health authorities ran a central register where independent hospitals could indicate their readiness to make services available to the NHS, measures like the Government's waiting list initiative last year, which enabled a few patients to be treated in independent hospitals, presume that the requisite private beds are unoccupied.

Such initiatives may help in the short term, but the need is chronic. In a recent report on alternative ways of funding health care, the influential King's Fund suggested that the health authorities might buy in private sector services, or sell to them.

But it acknowledged that this would also tend to make health care available on the basis of means rather than need.

As even John Moore, who favours a monetarist restructuring of health provision, acknowledges, that would run counter to the fundamental tenets of the National Health Service.

In fact, it would overturn British principles of care provision, which go much further back than Beveridge and Bevan.

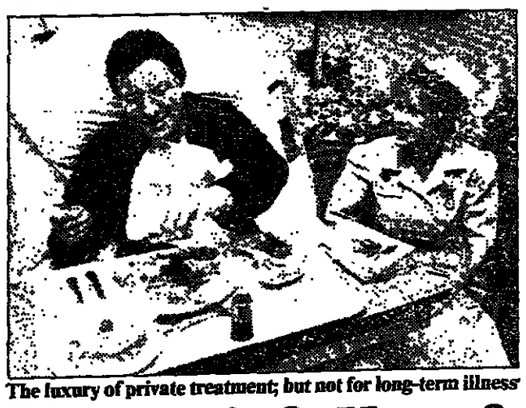
It is perhaps Thatcherism's greatest merit that it is prepared to shake any national institution, however time-honoured, by the scruff of the neck.

But what might result from undermining a millenium's medical inheritance?

Commercially driven care at the core rather than the margins of provision could have deeply unwelcome effects.



Going private: For many patients it is the only way, for most it represents a complementary health service to the NHS



The luxury of private treatment; but not for long-term illness

The pitfalls of private health

Private health provision has been around for a lot longer than provision by the state or the community, yet it now seems as if the old world is about to be called in to redress the balance of the new.

There is much, however, that the independent sector does not do, will not do, cannot do and does not want to do.

As the medical writer Dr Michael O'Donnell has noted, private medicine is not so much a system of care as a carefully selected menu of items.

Almost all of the score or so insurance schemes exclude primary care from the family doctor, the most widely-sought form of medical help. They also:

- **Debar, or place restrictions on, the over-65s, the largest and neediest group of clients.**
- **Refuse to defray the costs of pregnancy or childbirth, except for complications.**
- **Do not cover illness arising from drugs or drink.**
- **Do not reimburse the costs of sight or hearing tests.**
- **Seldom offer insurance against dental treatment. And most patients who need surgical appliances must either get them on the NHS or pay the full cost.**
- **Do not allow for alternative medicine.**
- **Mostly do not cover psychiatric treatment.**
- **Above all, they exclude ... of "a permanent, constant or regular nature". Treatment arising from already existing conditions is ruled out, too.**

As several of its spokesmen have emphasized, the private sector is *not* an alternative to the NHS: at best, it only complements it, and only in medical areas of its own careful choosing.

"Private medical insurance is intended to cope with short-term problems that can be solved with specialist treatment or surgery", says George Maskell of Sun Alliance Health First. "It does not cover long-term or incurable conditions".

Roy Forman, chief executive of Private Patients Plan, explaining why he was adding certain exclusions to its policies, put it even more bluntly: "We are not a charity."

Any intentions that the Government may have of giving the private sector a bigger role to play, and its evident desire to encourage or even compel people to take out private health insurance, would seem, then, to be somewhat circumscribed.

It is this which has led Tony Byrne, chief executive of the Independent Hospitals Association, to state that "the NHS will continue to provide the basic system of health care delivery for most people. The wilder ideas of right-wing think-tanks are unlikely to reach fruition".

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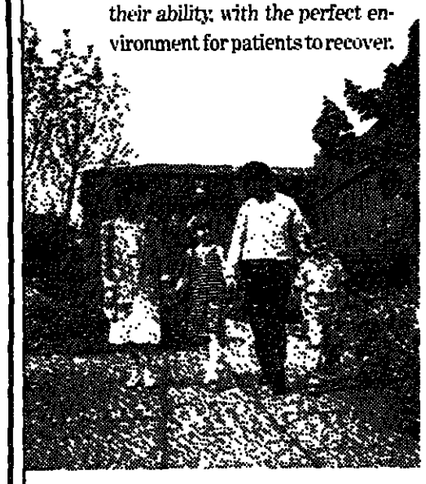
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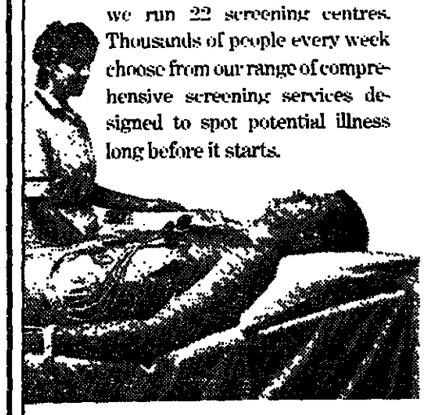
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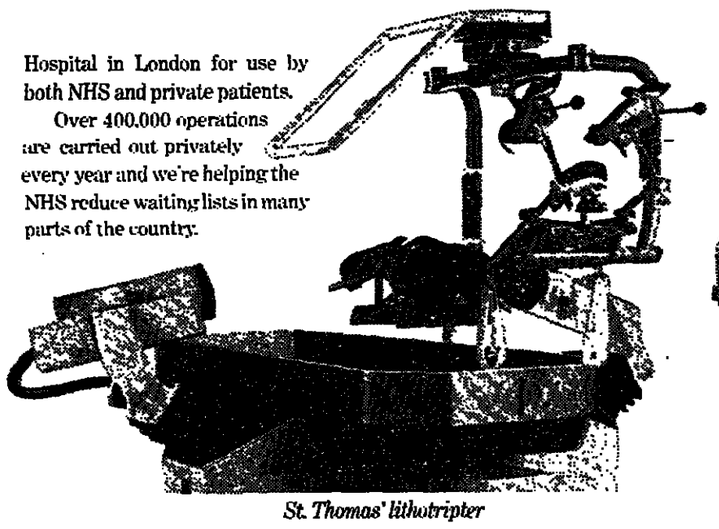
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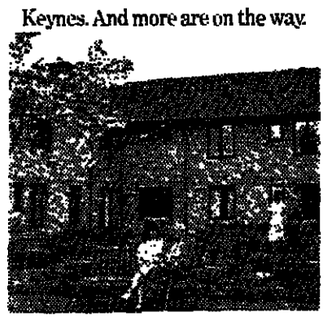
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St. Thomas' lithotripter

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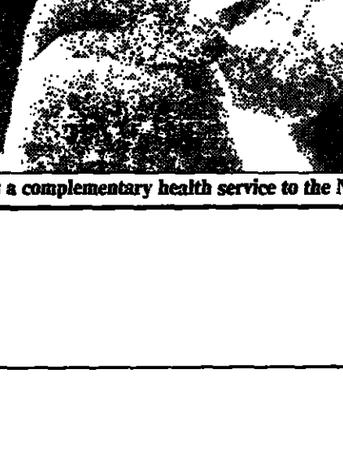


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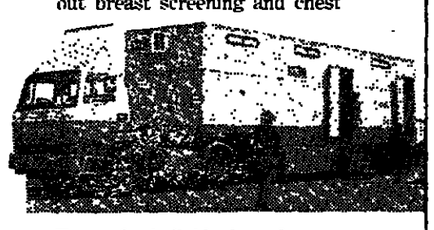
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The myth of pampered luxury

Most people still imagine, and it suits opponents of private medicine to pretend, that private hospitals are havens of illegitimate luxury – plebeian-free, potted plant oases for the pampering of the rich.

True, many offer their patients fitted carpets and fine wines, and at least one has even been crass enough to *provide its own monogrammed* matches. But of the 200 or so hospitals in the independent sector, only a few are in the champagne and caviare class.

When the St Martin's Group opened the London Bridge Hospital a few years ago, the *Lancet* described it as "otiscenely" opulent. But Dr Barry Scholes, the group's medical adviser, says that so far from being opulent, it does not even offer total privacy – *many beds are in shared* accommodation.

He says: "*What we* concentrate on providing is good technology, safe procedures and the best possible balance between cost and benefit".

A good example of the latest

Centres of medical excellence

trends is the relaunch of another St Martin's hospital, the Devonshire, in Marylebone, as a major rehabilitation centre, the first of its kind in *central London.*

The few "five-star" independent hospitals are about as typical of the sector as Claridges or the Savoy are of hotels in general. Most are purpose-built centres of medical excellence, to be sure, but must also make good economic sense.

The new and well-equipped but no frills London Independent Hospital in Stepney is a case in point. "We want to convince ordinary people that private health care can be for them", says John Naughten, its director.

Many of the newest hospitals are not in pricey areas but in ordinary places such as *Hull*, Blackburn, Canterbury, Hitchin, Chelmsford and the outer suburbs of Greater London which are easily accessible from the M25.

American Medical International has now embarked on a programme to open small satellite hospitals in the catchment areas of some of the 13 large hospitals the group already runs.

It will give medical and nursing care to local communities without carrying the heavy overheads of diagnostic and operating equipment, which will be available centrally.

It is significant that private medicine, which was concentrated in the relatively affluent South-East, has now expanded into the Midlands, the North and even Scotland, where there has long been a antipathy towards it.

Equally important has been the revival of cottage hospitals, which the NHS so purblindly closed down *en masse*. They are well up-to-date technologically, but also user-friendly and relatively cheap to run. In addition, and *most important, they fit* well into their local communities.

The Independent Hospitals Group has opened seven of these throughout the North, and plans several more.

Nuffield Hospitals also has many smaller hospitals with strong local links – the group places particular emphasis on the quality of its nursing.

For those who prefer them, or require high-tech medicine, there are still large hospitals of outstanding calibre such as the 180-bed Cromwell in Kensington, the 265-bed Humana Wellington in St John's Wood, the 100-bed Chalybeate in Southampton, AMI's Alexandra Hospital near Manchester, and several others, equally impressive in terms of size, quality and comprehensiveness of provision.

There is hardly any aspect of advanced modern medicine which they do not provide.

For all that, the independent hospital sector is not, and does not claim to be, as comprehensive as the NHS. But it is provenly at the leading edge of medical advance, innovative, flexible and responsive to patient needs.

Private health care today not only offers all this, but is within the financial reach of many more people than have so far chosen to use it.

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The forerunner: certificate for purchase by the London Jewish Hospital Association. Right: nursing station today

Cover from major to Minor

Private hospitals are co-operating in schemes to offer package deals

Private medical insurance is no longer the preserve of the Rolls-Royce class; it now comes in Maestro, Metro and even Mini versions. The huge expansion in the number of beds, in the days when there were plenty of foreign visitors to swell demand, is now benefitting all. For in order to use the excess private bed capacity, the private hospitals are cooperating in schemes to offer package deals and slim-line cover for those who do not want to pay for full private medical cover.

Bupa, the largest medical insurer, with about 60 per cent of the market, recently launched a cut-rate version of its plan aimed at those who do *not normally turn to the* private sector – the young, the old, and blue-collar workers.

Premiums are up to half the normal rate for full cover but only a selected few medical procedures are covered. They are the ones which account for the bulk of NHS waiting lists – hernias, varicose vein operations, hip and other joint replacements, tonsillectomies, cataract removals and medically-dictated sterilizations. Cardiac surgery is also covered by the plan.

Bupa has negotiated special rates with 85 private hospitals *to undertake the operations* at fixed prices. Bupa drove a hard bargain and not all hospitals were enthusiastic about joining the scheme.

NHS paybeds are also included in Budget Bupa and if the plan becomes too popular the private hospitals on the list may have waiting lists themselves, so ironically an NHS pay-bed will be a quicker route for those seeking speedy relief from their ailments.

Budget Bupa is even cheaper if you opt to pay the first £250 or £1,000 of any medical bills. For instance, a 50- to 54-year-old would pay £13.95 a month for Budget Bupa with no excess, £10.74 with a £250 excess, and £7.84 with a £1,000 excess. For younger subscribers there is just the £250 excess option. This brings down the cost for a 35- to 39-year-old from £9.95 to £7.36 a month.

This is Bupa's answer to the PPP scheme which delivers private care if NHS waiting lists are longer than six weeks. This scheme, The Private Hospital Plan, has been running since 1983 and offers a way to avoid waiting lists rather than an automatic right to private care.

A family where the parents are between 30 and 49 could get cover for £23.75 anywhere in the country. If they are admitted to an NHS hospital, because the waiting lists are short or non-existent, then they get a cash pay-out of £26 a night.

Full cover for private medical treatment would cost the 30- to 39-year-olds £28.15 if *they paid by Access or Visa*, which qualify them for a discount; the children then cost an extra £9.50, making a total of £37.65 a month.

The Retirement Health Plan gives the same deal to the elderly, and from July 1 there is no maximum age at which you can join the plan. They are paid £18 a night for any time they spend in an NHS bed. A 75-year-old would pay £30.70 a month and an 80-year-old £40.55 a month.

Healthfirst, part of the Sun Alliance group, runs Prompt Care, which mirrors the PPP scheme for those up to 60 and Senior Care for 60- to 74-year-olds. It offers private care if NHS waiting lists are more than 12 weeks long. A single adult, aged 30 to 39, would *pay £9.20 a month* and 55- to 59-year-olds £15.90 a month.

Healthfirst also runs Life Wise, just covering women for breast and cervical cancer. This may be a way of luring the young and fit into private medical cover – once they begin paying for this extremely limited cover, they might think it was worth *paying a little more* and getting more comprehensive cover. This form of insurance comes cheaper once the woman has had a health screen within the past three years. Thus a 25-year-old will pay £5.50 a month if she has not been screened and £4.50 if she has been. A 65-year-old will pay £7.50 if she has been screened and £8.50 if not.

Crown Life pioneered the idea of following motor insurance practice and giving no-claims bonuses. This theme has been taken up by a new group, Prime Health, which was started by former Crown employees.

With Prime, for instance, you start with a notional 20 per cent discount, and after five claim-free years can move up to the maximum 50 per cent discount. Those who make a claim lose two years no-claims discount.

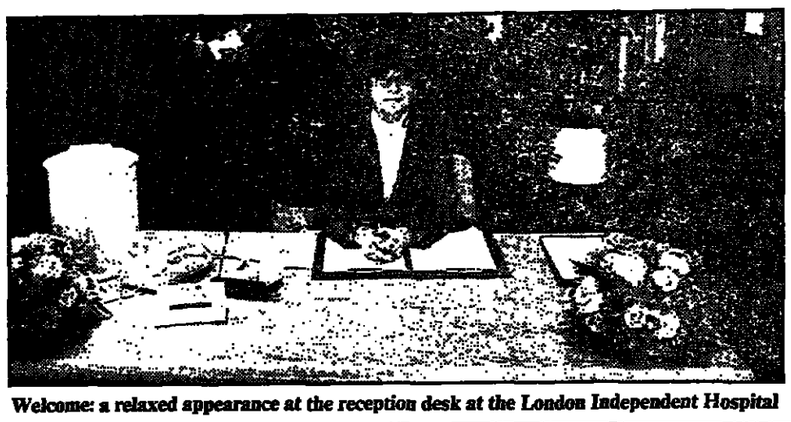
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There is also a more expensive version of the plan which has no limits on the cost of operations and pays for nursing at home, a private ambulance, and provides a lump *sum of £10,000 for permanent* disability after an accident covered by the plan.

The Exeter Hospital Aid Society was indignant that Bupa claimed that its new Budget plan would open up private cover for the elderly. "The truth of the matter is The Exeter Hospital Aid Society has been offering over 65s competitively-priced health insurance for many years and does not restrict members to attendance at specific hospitals or claims to certain *types of operations.*"

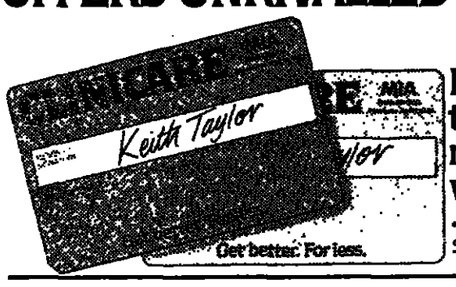
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Family Money Editor



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The growing debate of tax relief for self-help health

Tax relief on mortgage interest has helped turn Britain into a nation of homeowners so it is not surprising that there is a strong lobby for using the same method to encourage the use of private medical services, *writes Maria Scott.*

At present, only six million people, roughly 11 per cent of the population in Britain, are covered by private health insurance, and only 0.7 per cent of gross national product is spent on private care, compared with 1.8 per cent in Germany and 2.7 per cent in France.

A government committee is reviewing funding of the NHS and one of its priorities is to look at how more private money can be brought into the system. Among the ideas it is considering is direct financial incentives to individuals to provide for their own health care.

At present, individuals do not get any help from the Government *in return for* paying for their own medical care.

But there is fierce debate over how effective tax relief or other financial incentives would be in easing the burden on the NHS.

There is a view that with a simple system of tax relief, a large amount of "dead" money would be spent on giving relief to those who have already taken out private cover without any *encouragement.*

David Willetts, a former Treasury official and now director of studies at the Centre for Policy Studies, and Dr Michael Goldsmith, a former general practitioner who is now involved with health policy research and consultancy, raised a number of objections to tax relief in a paper published in March by the CPS.

The cost of giving tax relief on private health insurance might well exceed the saving to the NHS, they argued. "On average, the NHS spends £190 a year on every person aged between 20 and 64. A £250 insurance premium that would have previously borne tax at 40 per cent costs the Exchequer £100 in lost tax revenue. But it is not clear that the NHS would spend £100 less on every adult with private health insurance.

Another objection is that "those who live by political favours can die by political favours. It is not sensible to base the future development of health care on a tax anomaly which could easily be reversed."

Also, Mr Willetts and Dr Goldsmith argue, companies already get significant financial incentives to offer private health insurance as a perk.

"It is desirable to help people to opt out and take a public financial contribution with them but that points to vouchers whose value can be controlled and which are not of greater value to people with higher rates of tax."

The team concludes that there is one exception and that is the self-employed. They cannot get group cover "and should be able to set the cost of their higher individual insurance premiums off against tax."

As you might expect, tax relief has support among the private health insurance companies. While Bupa is neutral on the idea of giving it to everyone it is in favour of help through tax relief for the elderly.

David Cavers, the general commercial manager at PPP (Private Patients Plan) says: "We have been lobbying for tax relief for some time, especially for the elderly, who cause most of the strain on the NHS."

Older people also cause enormous strain on the costs of insurance companies, which is why they generally have



A trained eye: pathology at work

to pay premiums that many over 65 simply cannot afford.

But Mr Cavers believes that insurance of the elderly could become commercially viable if enough of them were brought into the system. And the relief on the NHS should outweigh the cost to the Treasury.

The idea of tax relief for the elderly received a boost last week from the right-wing Adam Smith Institute, which says that limiting it initially to this group would knock-out the problems which might be presented by extending the incentive to everyone.

Elderly people normally do not have private insurance so there is nothing lost in getting them into private care through tax relief.

Another argument against relief is that it encourages the younger, healthier and wealthier people to opt out of the state system, leaving the NHS to deal with the difficult and expensive cases and distorting the average cost of treatment.

The Adam Smith Institute says this adverse selection would be avoided if tax relief was used to shift the elderly away from the NHS.

After the elderly, tax relief could be gradually extended to other sectors of the population, allowing the private sector to adapt gradually to the new demands on it. This is an important point because at present the private health sector is not equipped to deal with many areas of care, including emergency services or treatment for chronic illness.

John Redwood MP, in another paper published by the Centre for Policy Studies, has suggested a system which would allow people to contract out all or part of their risks to a private insurance scheme in return for a rebate on their contributions.

The rebate could be varied according to age and the degree of cover which the person wished to keep within the NHS. This system would also involve converting more than half of income tax into a National Health tax, related to income.

A system of opting out could target incentives more accurately and could be *cheaper than tax relief*, argues Mr Redwood.

There is a view that the amount required of younger, healthier patients wanting to opt out would be so great, in order to maintain a free service for those unable to afford private care, that it would be almost meaningless.

It is a view supported by the Institute of Health Services Management which came out against tax rebates or cash incentives in its report on health service funding published last week.

The Institute also considered the highly controversial idea of allowing people to jump waiting lists in return for a *cash payment*, but this was abandoned.

George Orros, an actuary, considered the potential of contracting out in a study for the Institute. He says that "any suggestion that you can totally opt out and get money back *really isn't* creditable because the amount that could be refunded, after providing for the elderly and the emergency services would be too small."

As Mr Orros points out, this is a problem which goes right to the heart of the welfare state.

The status of the welfare state was also considered by the Association of Community Health Councils for England and Wales in its report on NHS funding, published last week. It objected to tax incentives on the grounds that they would encourage a two-tier system where the wealthier got better care simply because they could pay for it.

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The battle against cancer





More mobile services offer screening

Demand for screening services, especially by women awakened to the fact that deaths from cervical cancer or breast cancer can be prevented, has highlighted a growth area in private care.

The private sector, freed from the political constraints and all-embracing structure that is the lot of the National Health Service, is an ideal position to respond to that public demand.

The NHS is still gearing up to provide mammography, breast X-ray, as a routine three-yearly screen for all women over 50, the age group affected most by breast cancer deaths.

It will be some time before its 14 centres, one in each English health region, are running smoothly and, although they include travelling units, it is unlikely that they will be sufficient to offer such a service to all women who seek it.

However, private companies are already on the market, a market that can run independently of the health care insurance business. Generally, screening is not met by medical insurance but is paid for separately. True, subscribers to insurance schemes may be offered a discount on screening checks, but the private sector has been quick to recognise that screening provides a useful adjunct to its hospital facilities.

William Laing, the editor of *Laing's Review of Private Healthcare*, which is probably the most comprehensive guide to the private sector, puts structured screening service as unlikely to generate much more than £20 million a year for the large corporate operator. Nonetheless, the Review already lists 130 screening centres in Britain, some free-standing, others hospital-based.

Mr Laing points out that although London holds the largest share of the market, it is in the rest of the country that growth is fastest. In services primarily used by men, such as fitness testing and executive screening, the share of business was evenly divided between individuals and companies.

In women's services, however, those paying their own way accounted for about 70 per cent of the market, leaving 30 per cent being met by companies.

Cost is a factor in persuading individuals towards private-sector screening and companies are now actively addressing that. The latest move came last month when Bupa Medical Services decided to offer selected tests separately, and not part of a general, and more expensive, package.

Previously concentrating on providing comprehensive health assessments, the company is now offering, for example, a pelvic examination with cervical smear at £38, or breast examination with mammography at £65.

Such prices are likely to attract a greater range of women than the full health assessment at £253.

Other companies, such as Nuffield Hospitals, the non-profit making group, and AMI, one of the market leaders, are already offering such services.

Mobile vans are also making a come-back, this time to carry out screening services, ranging from full health screens for men and women, to breat X-rays and cervical smear tests.

Private Patients Plan, the health care insurance company, entered the mobile screening field with its recent acquisition of Healthright Medical Screening. Its four trailers provide well-woman or full screening services on the premises of industrial and commercial companies.

PPP is also prepared to offer such screening to the general public if local authorities make a site available.

Bupa, after carrying out a pilot breast-screening project in the West Country, is this year expanding the mobile service that previously was available only to companies for screening their employees.

Nuffield is investigating a similar mobile-clinic service, with Huddersfield pinpointed for the first. According to Mrs Barbara Greig, Nuffield's project manager for health screening, the client will pay about £50 for a breast X-ray.

Aimed at a wider group than is officially suggested under the NHS, the Nuffield Service will be open to women aged 40 and over. The subsequent report will go direct to the women within 14 days, with a copy to her general practitioner. Other operators offer similar terms.

It is nearly three years since AMI established its occupational health subsidiary, with the aim of providing a consultancy service to employers to help them respond to specific hazards or cope with legislative changes affecting health at work.

Today there is a wide variety of preventive programmes available for the individual and the commercial company. Those at risk from obesity, diabetes and the like, can find private clinics that cater for weight-loss and provide teaching programmes towards healthier lifestyles.

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Fitness testing is widely available — from AMI's high-profile Lifestyle programme to the £10 Primary Fitness Test at a Wiltshire hospital's sports injury clinic. The latter aims at the deskbound, as well as the sportsman or woman.

It is an interesting observation in an increasingly health-conscious society that people wish to know how fit they are, how much fitter they could become and what they need to do to achieve it.

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The more comprehensive fitness assessments offer a similar range of procedures to health assessments and include: height, weight and blood pressure checks; urine and blood analyses; lung and heart tests. Those are followed by expert advice on improving the individual's state, and taking personal circumstances into account.

Many screening schemes are aimed at younger age groups. Women's screening, for example, may start from the years that a woman becomes sexually active. Men, on the other hand, are probably more likely to enter the screening field when they are moving into the risk ages for heart and blood pressure problems, the forties and fifties.

There is also a potentially large market, however, among the older age groups, the retired or those about to retire.

Tapping into that market Bupa, for example, now offers a retirement health assessment, at £260 for men and £296 for women.the latter including "well-woman screening". It aims, in its brochure's words, to "dispel any anxieties you may have about your health and your ability to enjoy your retirement to the full".

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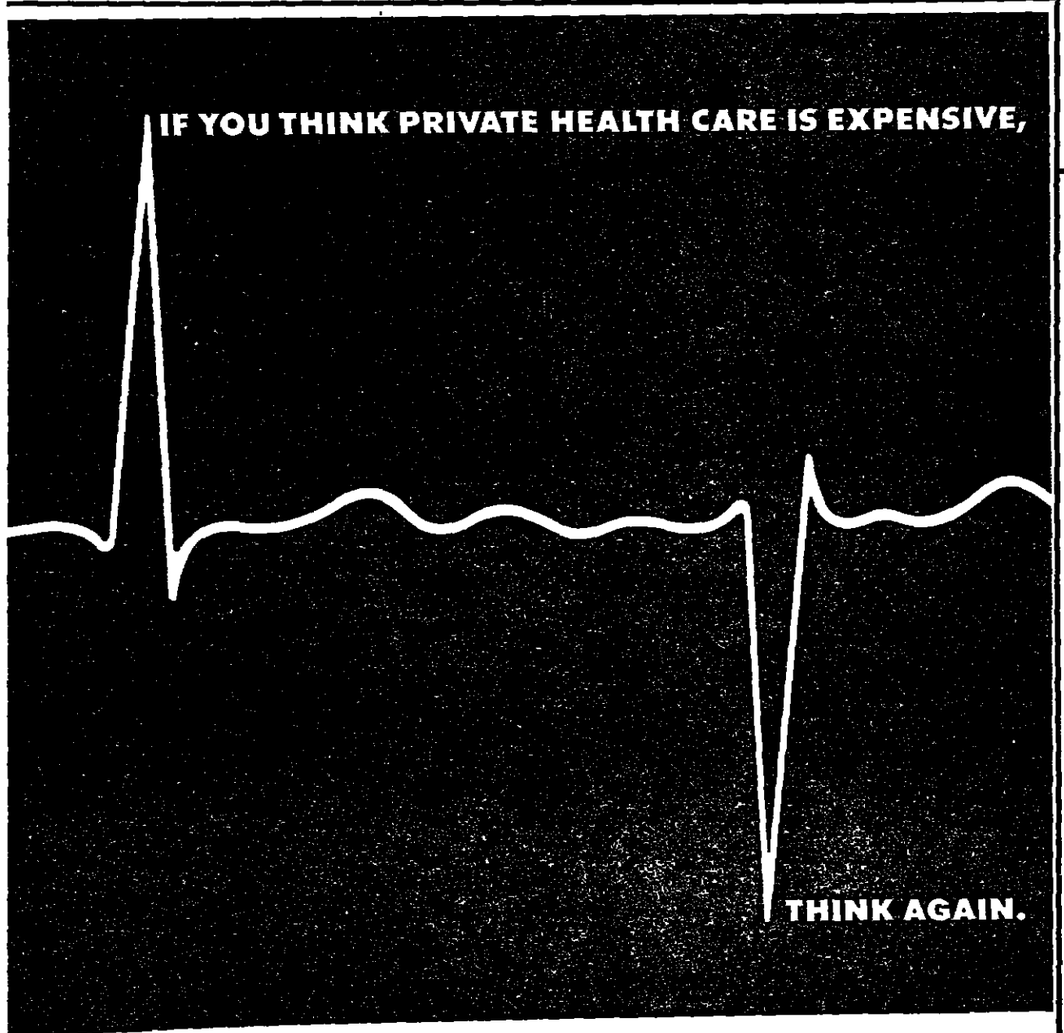
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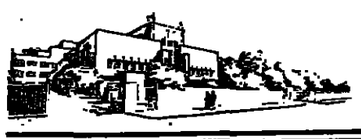
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Screening for health

Tests in private schemes can be life-savers, says Anna Blakemore



Care on the private scheme: the cardiac angioplasty suite at the London Independent

Had Hilaire Belloc been alive today he may well have written a cautionary tale about the woman who ignored a medical check because she felt good. She would certainly have been aware of the depressing statistics: on average, cervical cancer claims 2,500 women a year and breast cancer 14,000, with 24,000 new cases reported each year.

Worse still, she would know that in many cases death was avoidable because quick and painless screening techniques do exist and if used properly, would have caught the problem in time – even though smear tests can sometimes give conflicting results.

Feeling good is no criterion to veto a medical check-up.

This cautionary tale is worth noting as this writer was to discover. Fortunately, the newspaper I work for belongs to a Bupa scheme, so when I was recently invited to attend the Bupa Women's Unit for the medical equivalent of an MoT, I agreed. But, given the pressures of a busy job it was with a reluctant sigh that I committed myself to an 8.30 am appointment for the Full House Assessment, with strict instructions not to eat breakfast first.

On arrival you are politely whisked into changing rooms, to emerge in a pink towelling dressing-gown and blue airline slippers, along with other identically-clad ladies, for embarkation on what seems like a medical magical mystery tour.

No part of your anatomy will escape scrutiny. The tour officially commences when a doctor discusses your personal history and well-being with inevitable questions such as how much you drink and what kind of stresses you are under – if any.

The entire procedure is conducted along carpeted corridors, among comfortable sofas and endless magazines, punctuated by a variety of smoothly-executed screening techniques.

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The entire screening lasts about three hours and, curiously, allows you time to indulge in rare introspection about your body and general well-being. The procedure is not at all unpleasant, as you are ushered by soft-spoken nurses from check-up to check-up.

But the sense of well-being is short-lived, for the cautionary tale assumes a second verse. A few days later a lengthy letter arrived from the Bupa doctor, re-capping on my discussion with him and spelling out the analysis of the tests. The woman who felt fine is no longer so confident.

I read with utter disbelief that not only did I have abnormal cervical cells, according to the smear test – despite the fact one has always had regular checks on this count – but that the mammograms had detected a lump in the left breast.

Feelings of panic alternated with the knowledge that detection was early. The obvious thought occurs: what if I had ignored the check-up and postponed it, or had been totally dependent on the NHS when finally some symptom manifested itself? How much more serious could the situation have become?

A chance for rare introspection

The cautionary tale is not over. Had the following relatively simple procedure of colposcopy, whereby the cervix is examined under magnified conditions, and appropriate biopies been arranged by a specialist in the overstretched NHS, the waiting list would have been about six months if you were lucky – possibly reduced by a few weeks if the doctor pushes your case as critical.

When surgical treatment could be performed was uncertain. With BUPA the procedure was arranged in a matter of days.

The significance was this: I was told that the cell changes within a space of only nine weeks were so marked that I was admitted within 48 hours to the Portman Hospital for Women and Children for a laser cone biopsy.

This is the curative operation whereby the abnormal cervix cells, which are potentially cancerous if unchecked, are removed.

What if this condition had not been so promptly dealt with by Bupa? I was told the chances of developing cancer were probable.

As to my other unexpected problem, a lump in the breast, that is being regularly monitored following a needle biopsy and any change in the tissue is being noted. Although it is not an ideal situation to co-exist with, at least there is peace of mind that the problem is identified and will be dealt with when neccessary.

If I had not gone to Bupa that day, there is no reason why I should not now be another grim statistic – or still waiting for an appointment on the valiant NHS.

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A choice over the small print

Like all insurance policies, those which cover health care come with a lot of small print. So many schemes are now on offer, the array of options is so large, and the competition for business is so intense, that it has become quite tricky to make the best choice.

For the individual subscriber, that is problem enough, but for a company which insures an entire workforce through a group scheme, it can make a difference worth thousands of pounds a year either way.

A growing number of employers are now calling in third-party administrators to run their schemes in tandem with the insurers, to shop around for the best deal, or to scrutinize their systems to ensure that they are running efficiently and that benefits are going where they should.

Surprisingly, many managers of company group schemes do not have a tight grip on their finances and lack sensible co-ordination and integration of their health-related employee benefits.

Lawrence Purchase, who was responsible for introducing third-party administration to Britain three years ago, points to one company which carried out an audit of its major benefits and was "horrified" to find that these were looked after by eight different executives.

"Very few were aware of one another's responsibilities. The duplications, overlaps and pure anomalies accounted in themselves for a major overspend".

Third-party administrators can save money in several ways. They can arrange special deals with particular hospitals for package rates. They can cut out unnecessary claims, perhaps by requiring employees to pay the first £50 in any year, challenge excessive bills, cut out wasteful procedures and ensure fair costings.

They can identify particularly expensive consultants and hospitals, help clients budget ahead, protect tax benefits to patients and stop what amounts to giving staff a blank cheque, which is what effectively happens with many company health schemes.

The two market leaders in the field of third-party management are Hogg Robinson, with a scheme called Remedi (Reducing Excessive Medical Expenses by Director Involvement) and the Bristol-based Medisure.

Remedi seeks to involve employees, regarding their understanding and co-operation as a key to a cost-effective health plan. Medisure has a similar philosophy, running a "help desk" where employees can get advice on treatment.

In the last year, third-party administration has gone a step further with a more extensive scheme marketed by Health Care Management of Brentford, Middlesex, its managing director being Mr Purchase.

Corporate clients, he says, now want administrators to run their "health care", not just their health insurance benefits.

It is not only administrative complexities that need close attention. Mr Purchase argues. Without all-round co-ordination, companies cannot obtain a proper view of the health, performance and requirements of their employees.

Many businesses suffer from unacceptably high levels of sickness and absenteeism, yet few accurately manage this problem. Reducing costs by just a few per cent can produce large savings. Integrating the full range of benefits – not only insurance but sick pay and screening facilities, for instance – helps to ensure a more effective benefit package.

'Individual view is required'

"Employers should develop an individual approach to employee benefits", Mr Purchase says. "Many managers are forced to adapt to an off-the-shelf package simply because no alternative is offered. We offer companies the opportunity to build their own approach to their benefits".

Often, communication with employees is poor, with uninformative or not easily understood literature. Advice on an attractive handbook and other material such as videos engenders cooperation, confidence and goodwill.

David Loshak

The twilight area of care

Most old people live out their lives in familiar surroundings – their own homes or those of sons and daughters. However, with the growing proportion of Britain's elderly people, now about 10 million and projected to grow higher, in terms of bed numbers the provision of care for the frail, the handicapped and the long-term sick similarly will need to grow.

Whenever private health care has been criticized, one area where politicians tread warily is in the provision made for old people. The private sector, profit-making and non-profit-making establishments, accounts for roughly half the places for old people in the UK.

The other half is met largely by local authorities, with residential homes, and to a lesser extent by the National Health Service, which provides geriatric beds in specialist and general hospitals.

It is widely recognized that without private care, the statutory authorities could not begin to cope – hence the political reticence.

Moreover, the greatest growth is in the private sector. Health authorities have been increasing their number of geriatric beds but cost constraints in the NHS and those placed on local authorities by central government have not allowed the expansion needed to keep pace with the growing numbers of elderly people needing social or nursing care.

Unlike acute hospital care, where large companies and corporations predominate, in the care of the elderly it is the independent proprietor who is the dominant force.

However, in the past three years the companies have started to catch up, with about 60 separate organizations now each operating upwards of three homes specializing in looking after old people.

In making provision for old people, organizations or individuals have by law to register each home with either the local authority, if they are running a residential home, or the health authority, if nursing care is provided. Many homes have dual registration as there is often a grey area between social care and nursing needs.

It is an offence to describe premises not registered with a health authority as a nursing, maternity or mental nursing home and those operating an unregistered nursing home can be prosecuted.

The statutory authorities are obliged to inspect homes and can refuse or remove registration if they are not up to requirement. It is an area of continuing controversy, as many authorities devise their own rules and provision varies widely throughout the country.

There is also some suspicion of a reluctance to close a below-standard home when the registering authority knows it will have to make alternative arrangements for the home's residents.

While the private sector undoubtedly contains some of the best accommodation with standards of pure luxury, it also harbours some of the worst. Proprietors' associations have been among those who have made calls, so far resisted by central government, for a national inspectorate to be set up to enforce minimum standards.

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EDUCATION

A time for the realists

The fraught issue of succession and who will fill the post of general secretary to the National Union of Teachers is once again dominating Britain's largest teaching union, writes Richard Garner

The new broom of realism that has swept through Britain's largest teachers' union – the National Union of Teachers – during the past year is facing a severe test this month. The Conservatives had hardly had enough time to celebrate last June's election victory before the union's current deputy general secretary, Doug McAvoy, was eschewing strikes and other forms of industrial action as a means of combating the Government's planned education reforms and improving teachers' pay.

His conversion seemed at first to have a touch of irony about it – as he was the man most identified with the leadership of the NUT during its three-year campaign involving industrial action over pay that preceded the general election. The general secretary, Fred Jarvis, had been on the sidelines for many months after a road accident.

However, he does appear to have assessed the mood of his members correctly. When the union's inner London branch, the most militant in its membership, balloted on a sustained campaign of industrial action over the Government's proposal to abolish the Inner London Education Authority, the majority voted against.

Now Mr McAvoy is the front runner to succeed Mr Jarvis when he retires as general secretary in September 1989, though his path to the top has so far been anything but smooth.

The union's executive, dominated at present by a broad Left coalition made

Delegates ask for more time to make decisions

up mainly of supporters of the present Labour Party leadership, pushed through an emergency resolution last autumn appointing him to the top job.

The move was agreed to avoid what union leaders thought would be damaging speculation over the succession at a time when it ought to be devoting its energies to opposing the Education Reform Bill.

In the event, the decision backfired badly, as many union members of all shades of opinion were incensed that the NUT had not even advertised the post or drawn up a shortlist for interviews, let alone holding a ballot of its membership to comply with the spirit of impending government legislation.

So the union's annual conference this Easter at Scarborough voted to overturn the decision and throw the whole issue of the succession open again.

Despite this setback, Mr McAvoy, a 48-year-old Geordie who was a physical education teacher before becoming a full-time union official, is once again the front runner to succeed to what is, at a possible £42,000 a year, one of the best-paid union jobs in the land.

He has thrown his weight behind a plan to alter the structure of the union so that it will have a slimmed-down central bureaucracy and more staff on the ground in the regions to deal with individual members' grievances. This is intended to allow the union to deal with members' questions over the impact of the Education Reform Bill – whether their conditions will change if their school opts out of local education authority control and suchlike – once the Bill has become law.

Critics of the plan – which involves shedding about 40 jobs at the headquarters at Hamilton House, King's Cross, London, and hiring extra legal staff in the regions – claim it will reduce the ability of the union to organize centrally in the event of any new national pay dispute.

This plan, too, was thrown out at the union's annual conference, as delegates decided they wanted more time to consider the proposals before reaching a decision on them.

The defeats seemed to stem more from a feeling of disaffection that the hierarchy was trying to force its wishes on the membership without giving it time to draw breath, than outright opposition to a favoured son for the succession or the new direction of the union.

Indeed, there was much from which the new realists could take heart. The previous year the union had been left with a policy of supporting any teacher who refused to teach to the Government's proposed new tests for children at the ages of seven, 11, 14 and 16. This year it came away with a policy of opposition to straightforward pass-or-fail tests, as envisaged by the Prime Minister, but a cautious welcome for the diagnostic approach to testing, spelled out in the report commissioned by the Government to look into its plans.

On other issues there was a similar notable lack of militancy. Mr Jarvis did warn that "all hell would break loose" if the Government offered teachers in England and Wales less than the 6 per cent to which their counterparts in Scotland had already agreed, but this would be connected more with a collective wringing of hands in despair, judging by the this year's 4.25 per cent pay award has been greeted.

So the union left Scarborough having to think again about who should succeed Mr Jarvis and with a mandate from delegates to organize another special conference to consider its proposed structural reforms.

The union's executive has already advertised for a new general secretary and intends to draw up a shortlist for interview this month. It hopes to make an appointment by July so that the successor can start working in tandem with Mr Jarvis for a year before his retirement.

The Socialist Teachers' Alliance, a left-wing grouping made up mainly of supporters of Tony Benn, Labour MP for Chesterfield, argues that there should have been a ballot of the membership on such a vital appointment – ironically putting itself in the same camp as many members of the Conservative Party.

The alliance has chosen Carole Regan, for many years an activist within the union's inner London association, to oppose Mr McAvoy. This is in many ways a shrewd choice as the union's membership is dominated by women.

With the broad Left still in the ascendancy on the union's executive, however, it is as certain as it could be that she would not succeed Mr Jarvis.

The harder Left of the NUT sees delegate conferences as the forum in which it has the most strength, but it could come up with a procedural obstacle. The union hierarchy might well

Call for more emphasis on the teaching issues

argue it cannot be discussed, as the sole purpose of the special conference is to discuss the union's structure.

So the odds may be stacked in Mr McAvoy's favour. If so, he has a hard task ahead of him in restoring the union to its former position of strength in the teaching profession. Not so long ago it represented an overall majority of the teaching profession, but the latest returns with the Certification Officer for trade unions show its membership now stands at about 184,000 – and has been at that figure for about the past 12 months.

Mr McAvoy's problem is that he is very much identified as a traditional pay-and-conditions negotiator who earned his spurs in smoke-filled hotel rooms.

With pay now being dealt with by a government-appointed advisory committee, the new era demands that the spotlight be turned more on the union's educational role. It must try to influence the introduction of the new national curriculum, and concentrate on what should be taught in schools.

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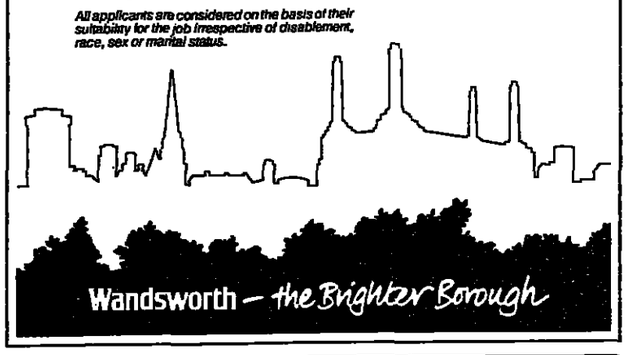
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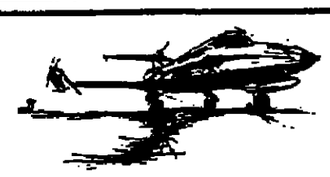
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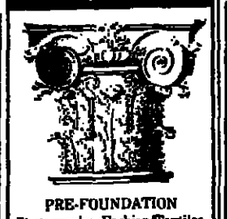
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COMPANIES COURT
NO. 005487 OF 1986
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(IN LIQUIDATION)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr Peter Richard Copp, Chartered Accountant, of Messrs Eloy Hayward, 8 Baker Street, London W1M 1DA, was appointed Liquidator of the above named Company on 24 February 1988.
Dated this 26 day of May 1988
P R COPP - LIQUIDATOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE
INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 6.124 (1)
IN THE AYLESBURY
COUNTY COURT
NO. 20A OF 1988
IN THE MATTER OF
GAY SUSAN BOWELL
(IN BANKRUPTCY)
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Melvyn Laurence Rose, F.C.A., F.C.C.A.
Trustee

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
MULTIPRESS UK LIMITED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under the provisions of Section 98 of *the Insolvency Act 1986,* that a meeting of creditors of the above company will be held at the Force Hill Hotel, Ivy Barn Lane, Margaretting, Nr Chelmsford, Essex on June 10th 1988 at 11 a.m. for the purposes mentioned in sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act. A statement of claim and any proxies to be used at the meeting must be lodged not later than 12 noon on the day prior to the meeting at Arthur Young, Compass House, 80 Newmarket Road, Cambridge, CB5 8DZ.
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Dated June 2nd 1988
By Order of the Board
Miss S. Porter

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE
INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
RULE 6.124 (1)
IN THE HERTFORD
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NO. 9 OF 1988
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Notice of appointment of liquidator (Creditors)
voluntary winding up
Pursuant to section 600 of the Companies Act 1985
Company number: 2047430.
Name of company: Rib Cage Limited. Previous name of company: Barcolet Ltd. Nature of business: Wine Bar/Restaurant. Address of registered office: Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU. Liquidators name and address: Richard Jeremy Hyams FCA, *Adam House,* 14 New Burlington Street. London W1X 2BU. Office Holder No: 002364. Date of appointment: 12th May 1988. By whom appointed: Members & Creditors.
Dated: 27th May 1988
R J Hyams FCA, Liquidator

Notice of appointment of liquidator (Creditors)
voluntary winding up
Pursuant to section 600 of the Companies Act 1985
Company number: 1898269.
Name of company: Landex (Towel Service) Limited. Nature of business: Supplier of Perfumed Hot Towels. Address of registered office: Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU. Liquidators name and address: Richard Jeremy Hyams FCA, Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU. Date of appointment: 20th May 1988. By whom appointed: Members & Creditors.
Dated: 31st May 1988
R J Hyams FCA, Liquidator

IN THE MATTER OF LANDEX (TOWEL SERVICES) LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily Wound-Up, are required, on or before the 18th day of July 1988, to send in their full Christian and Surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors (if any), to the undersigned, Richard Jeremy Hyams Chartered Accountant of Laurence Gerrard & Co., Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU the Liquidator of the said Company and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
Dated this 31st day of May 1988
R J Hyams - Liquidator

Number of Company : 1898269
COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES
EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION
(Pursuant to Section 84, Insolvency Act 1986 and Section 380, Companies Act 1985)
LANDEX (TOWEL SERVICES)
Passed 20th May 1988
At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company, duly convened, and held at Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU, on the 20th day of May 1988, the subjoined Extraordinary Resolution was duly passed, viz:-

RESOLUTION
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L Bason - Director

IN THE MATTER OF
RIB CAGE LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
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Dated this 31st day of May 1988
R J Hyams - Liquidator

Number of Company : 2047430
COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES
EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION
(Pursuant to Section 84, Insolvency Act 1986 and Section 380, Companies Act 1985)
RIB CAGE LIMITED
Passed 12th May 1988
At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company, duly convened, and held at Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU, on the twenth day of May 1988, the subjoined Extraordinary Resolution was duly passed, viz:-

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AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT, 1986
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Dated the 27 day of May 1988
By Order of the Board
B W Bacon - Director

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A list of the names and addresses of the Company's creditors may be inspected free of charge at the offices of Clark Duffy, 6th Floor, Scottish Life House, 14 New Road, Southampton, Hampshire between 10am and 5 pm on 23 June 1988 and 24 June 1988.
Creditors wishing to vote at the meeting must lodge their proofs of debt and (unless they are attending in person) proxies at the registered office of the Company, 6th Floor, Scottish Life House, 14 New Road, Southampton, Hampshire, SO9 1ZG no later than 12 noon on 24 June 1988.
Unless they surrender their security, secured creditors must give particulars of their security and its value if they wish to vote at the meeting.
DATED this 26th day of May 1988
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
RW Bailey
Director

Number of Company : 2047430
COMPANY LIMITED BY SHARES
EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION
(Pursuant to Section 84, Insolvency Act 1986 and Section 380, Companies Act 1985)
RIB CAGE LIMITED
Passed 12th May 1988
At an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above-named Company, duly convened, and held at Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU, on the twenth day of May 1988, the subjoined Extraordinary Resolution was duly passed, viz:-

RESOLUTION
That it has been proved to satisfaction of this meeting that the Company cannot by reason of its liabilities continue business, and that is is advisable to wind up the same, accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Richard Jeremy Hyams, FCA, of Adam House, 14 New Burlington Street, London W1X 2BU be and he is hereby appointed liquidator for the purposes of such winding up.
P. Lynch - Director

RUGBY UNION: THE GLOOM THAT CONTINUES TO ENCIRCLE WALES EXTENDS TO ENGLAND

England hit a new low as they grovel in the mud

From David Hands
Rugby Correspondent
Sydney

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It will need firm management and leadership of a higher order than has so far been evident to restore England's tour as it goes into its final phase. Their defeat at Concord Oval here yesterday by a goal, two tries, two penalty goals and a dropped goal to four penalties was no disgrace but the manner of it was.

The match ended with the unedifing sight of Chilcott and Kay locked in combat in the mud well after no-side had been blown and while the rest of the team members were exchanging handshakes. The NSW players were still snorting indignantly later at Chilcott's aggressiveness but from the stand I saw no overtly dirty play; the main concern was the appallingly limp display that must qualify as one of the worst England games in recent years – and there are several runners for that title.

Had NSW been at the top of their form it would have been something, but they were not; Farr-Jones has been ill and was out of sorts and Smith's judgement was questionable, but they had no great need of anything out of the ordinary to beat a side who showed no appetite for the contest and a dreadful lack of collective and individual skills.

It was as though you had lowered a bucket into a well and found a sieve coming up on the end of the rope. For some 20 minutes England played well in conditions that were an indictment of the New South Wales union, who allowed two curtain-raisers to go ahead after heavy overnight rain had softened the turf, which cut up badly in the central areas.

The touring side went ahead by six points and Evans was knocked into touch in goal after a neat back-row move. But by the interval NSW led 10-9 and the thin crowd of 7,262 had seen the first flurry of fists, which broke out at more frequent intervals in the second half until both captains had to be spoken to.

And there was the desperate sight of England forwards, including the captain, walking to the breakdown when the situation demanded urgency. Rees, Redman and Barley may be excused the general condemnation but otherwise the gloom which has surrounded the Welsh tour in New Zealand has extended to England.

Two cameos illustrate the match: first, the sight of England's forwards laying back the ball with no one appreciating that Harding was wrapped up in the ruck, so that the NSW forwards seized possession and drove 60 metres down the touchline before Lidbury was stopped a metre short; second, Frawley emerging from a lineout laughing at the ineptitude of the opposition. A third, perhaps, was Harding, half an hour after the game ended, sitting in a deserted grandstand staring at the pitch, wondering how so much could have gone wrong in one game.

Webb kicked all England's points, the first two goals coming within 12 minutes, but he, too, had his worst game of the tour, uncharacteristically hesitant in defence, his attacking talents an untapped seam.

Evans's prospects of a third cap probably disappeared when he was up too quickly on Niuqila and overran his mark, leaving the wings to slip past Barley and Webb. Thereafter NSW came to dominate possession: England, without Dooley, who withdraw on Saturday because of his ankie injury, conceded the lineout and were completely outplayed in the loose.

The sight of Rees isolated on the ground became all too familiar; of Redman struggling against a light-blue wall of whom the likes of Lidbury and Kay may well have impressed the watching Australian selectors. Smith dropped a short-range goal behind a scrum and kicked a penalty when Barnes handled on the ground, giving the state side their half-time advantage.

Smith also scored a try after Webb failed to gather a kick ahead by Grant; the NSW stand-off half hesitated about going on the outside five metres from the line, only to find himself shunted over in Rees's tackle. Theoretically, Webb's fourth penalty put England back into the game but immediately Moore conceded the advantage before Poidevin drove off a lineout, Kay worked the ball forward and Farr-Jones burst through to the post.

England's defence at this stage resembled nothing so much as a paper bag split at the seams; I doubt if Carling, who arrives today, has brought enough Sellotape.

SCORERS: New South Wales: Tries: Niuqila, Smith, Farr-Jones. Conversions: Smith. Penalties: Smith (2). Dropped goal: Smith. England: Penalties: Webb (4).
NEW SOUTH WALES: A Leeds; I Williams, J Grant, G Ella, A Niuqila; B Smith, N Farr-Jones; P Kay, E Jones, M Harrill, S Poidevin (capt), P FitzSimons, D Frawley, S Lidbury, T Gavin.
ENGLAND: J Webb (Bristol); B Evans (Leicester), B Barley (Wakefield), R Andrew (Wasps), R Underwood (Leicester); S Barnes (Bath), R Harding (Bristol); P Rendall (Wasps), B Moore (Nottingham), G Chilcott (Bath), M Skinner (Harlequins), J Orwin (Bedford, capt), N Redman (Bath), G Rees (Nottingham), D Richards (Leicester).
Referee: K FitzGerald (Queensland).

Props scuffle

Peter Kay, the New South Wales prop, who aimed a punch at Chilcott as he offered a handshake at the end, did not land the blow but the pair scuffled on the ground. Kay defended his actiou by saying: "In the last scrum of the match he stamped on my head five times."

Kay had grazing on his forehead and temple. His captain, Poidevin, insisted: "The England management should hold an inquiry into the incident." But the England manager, Geoff Cooke, said: "I didn't see it; I have no comment to make."

Orwin, the England captain, said: "If he collapses a scrum under the feet of Gareth and me then it's his fault and his fault alone."

Two more blows to Welsh hopes

From Chris Thau
New Plymouth
New Zealand

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Injury-ridden Wales were dealt another two blows during this disappointing, low-scoring draw when their winger, Carwyn Davies, was carried off the field with concussion and their prop, Young, departed with a badly cut ear.

Davies, who was knocked in the head in a tackle, will take no further part in the tour while Young, who needed seven stitches for his gashed left ear, is doubtful for the second international. After their spirited win against Hawke's Bay, the Welsh relapsed into the lethargy which was the keynote of their earlier encounters.

The forwards, save for the brave and isolated effort of Bryant, seemed incapable of coming to terms with the driving surges of Taranki while the backs looked mundane and uninspired.

The quicksilver opportunist thinking of Jonathan Davies again ensured an unexpected and probably undeserved draw. With the score locked at 9-9, it looked as if the two sides were heading towards a repeat of the 1969 scoreline. However, a blistering attack launched by Robins, the former All Black, on the right went on and on and after spectacular driving and handling by both forwards and backs it was finished off by Murfitt.

A minute later Jonathan Davies saw a gap and took a quick tapped penalty deep into his own territory. After drawing two defenders he put Ring through. Ring, who failed to impress as a full back, made a vital contribution with a swift delivery to Webbe outside him. The Bridgend winger took off, leaving behind three defenders, including Crowley, the full back, and scored the equalizing try. Ring missed the conversion.

SCORERS: Taranaki: Try: D Murfitt. Penalties: K Crowley (3). Wales: Try: G Webbe. Dropped goal: J Davies (2). Penalties: M Ring (1).
TARANAKI: K Crowley; B Robins, D Murfitt, S James, G Rowe; M Liddicoat, A Crowley; W Bunn (capt), B Pascoe (rep: M Muller), R Elmes, J Plumtree, L Thompson, G Major. R Smith, N Hill.
WALES: M Ring; G Webbe, M Hall, N Davies, C Davies (rep: J Devereux); J Davies (capt), R Jones; M Pugh, K Phillips, D Young (rep: S Jones), R Phillips, K Mosseley, M Jones, D Bryant, T Fauvel.
Referee: C Disley (Wellington).

● Tomorrow's game against North Auckland is the last chance for Wales to find a credible international line-up. Three new arrivals, the full back, Mason, of Pontypridd, the flanker, Jones, of Llanelli, and the Combined Services captain, Sutton, are given an outing while the prop, Pugh, is having eight stitches near his left eye removed in order to play.

NORTH AUCKLAND: W Johnstone; F Woodman, C Going, M Seamour, K Woodman; I Dunn, A Goodhew; G Courtney, M Bering, B Leclerc, M Budd, J Crawford, N Ruddell, F Cambourn, W Phillips (capt).

WALES: J Mason; G Webbe, J Devereux, N Davies, M Hall; J Davies (capt), J Griffiths; S Jones, I Watkins, J Pugh, R Phillips, P May, S Sutton, G Jones, M Jones.
Referee: M Thompson.

RACING



Diminuendo and Steve Cauthen storm clear of Sudden Love and French challenger Animatrice at Epsom on Saturday to give Sheikh Mohammed his third Oaks triumph

Cecil considers Leger for his queen of Epsom

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Diminuendo, the brilliant filly who gave Henry Cecil his second and Sheikh Mohammed his third victory in the Gold Seal Oaks at Epsom on Saturday, may now attempt to emulate Oh So Sharp by going for the St Leger at Doncaster in September.

"She's in great shape this morning," said the seven-times champion trainer yesterday. "She came back with a few scratches, but she's licked out her manger well."

Oh So Sharp first tackled her elders in July in 1985 when she was defeated by Petoski in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes. "I don't intend to tackle the four-year olds yet," Cecil went on. "Both the Irish Oaks and the Nassau Stakes are possibilities.

"But I'll enter her for what was the Matchmaker International at the Ebor meeting as well as in the Yorkshire Oaks. And then in the autumn, there's the Leger and the Champion Stakes."

No words of praise can be too high for Cecil's judgement and skill in his handling of the Diesis filly. Nor yet for Diminuendo's own indomitable spirit and remarkable zest for racing.

Bought for $125,000 at Sheikh Mohammed's insistence at Keeneland as a yearling, Diminuendo's toughness of constitution is shown by the fact that she was undefeated in four starts as a two-year-old and has had more races than any Oaks winner during the past decade.

Back in April, Cecil was adamant that the mile of the 1,000 Guineas might prove too short for Diminuendo. After her victory in York's Musidora Stakes, when the owners were doubtful about her stamina, Cecil was quietly confident that the filly would be in Saturday's line-up.

"I was more confident than I was with Oh So Sharp," he said. "and I told Steve Cauthen to ride her for stamina."

Just as with Triptych in the Coronation Cup on Thursday, Cauthen's handling of Diminuendo was a joy to watch. "I pulled her out coming down the hill to avoid trouble," said the reigning champion jockey, "and when I asked her to quicken, she went and won her race in just two strides."

As Sudden Love battled on gamely to finish a clear-cut second best, Luca Cumani was a resigned admirer of the winner's talent. "Sudden Love ran a great race," he said. "She quickened really well but she couldn't match the winner's acceleration." The runner-up will now be aimed at the top races for her age and sex, but the trainer is not too keen to renew rivalry with the winner in a hurry.

Animatrice finished a creditable third after being well placed throughout the race, which was run in 2min 35.02sec. "She's a bit on the shoulder and became unbalanced racing down the hill," said Gary Moore "When they sprinted for home, she started to climb. But Diminuendo's certainly given Ravinella a boost and I'm looking forward to riding her again in the Coronation Stakes at Ascot. She's looking beautiful."

Indian Rose, the other French challenger, came home strongly to take fourth place after being at the rear of the field at Tattenham Corner. "She ran very green coming down the hill," Cash Asmussen reported.

The disappointment of the race was the running of Dabaweyaa, who never at any stage of the race looked likely to confirm the 1,000 Guineas placings with Diminuendo. "We got bumped by Indian Rose early in the straight, said Walter Swinburn, "but it made no difference as we were never going at all."

Yesterday Michael Stoute commented, "There are no obvious excuses. It was just too bad to be true."

Big race result

4.5 GOLD SEAL OAKS (Group I: 3YO fillies: £148,650: 1m 4f)

DIMINUENDO ch f by Diesis - Cacti (Sheikh Mohammed) 9-0 S Cauthen (7-4 Fav) 1.
Sudden Love b f by Kris - Sudden Glory (Princess Lucy Ruspoli) 9-0 R Cochrane (11-2) 2.
Animatrice b f by Alleged - Alexandra (J Wertheimer) 9-0 G Moore (20-1) 3.

ALSO RAN: 4 Dabaweyaa (10th), 9-2 Indian Rose (4th), 14 Balsamian (5th), 20 Catina (7th), 33 Miss Boniface (8th), 66 Princess Genista (6th), 200 Atropa (11th), Sunday Sport Star (9th), 11 ran. NR: Sparrow's Air. 4l, 2l, 2½l, 3l, 2½l, H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £2.80; £1.80, £1.90, £2.00. DF: £7.20. CSF: £10.52. 2min 35.02sec. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

Williams ban

Tyrone Williams was suspended for four days – June 13 to 16 – for careless riding after his mount, Melody Lane, was demoted from third place in the Ashtead Claiming Stakes at Epsom on Saturday. Williams misses the first three days of Royal Ascot.

Eddery hits back with fine win on Hours After

From Michael Seely
Chantilly

Pat Eddery, widely slammed for his controversial riding of the favourite, Red Glow, in last Wednesday's Derby, hit back at his critics when producing Hours After with a brilliantly-timed run to give the jockey his second victory in the Prix du Jockey-Club at Chantilly yesterday.

Due to start a four-day suspension tomorrow for reckless riding at Longchamp, the former champion was also making amends for his head defeat on the subsequent Prix de l'Arc Triomphe winner Trempolino in the race last year.

Hours After is very quick. There was a lot of bunching up after the bend. But he has got speed to burn. After hitting the front just inside the last furlong, we just managed to hold on," the winning rider reported.

Hours After, a 16-1 chance, held on bravely to defy the late attack of the 64-1 outsider, Ghost Busters, by a short head. After a gallant attempt to make all the running, Emmson, Dick Hern's challenger, rallied well to be beaten only a further threequarters of a length into third place.

Exactly Sharp finished fourth, while Nasr El Arab, a short-priced favourite to give Sheikh Mohammed his second classic win in two days, finished fifth.

The moderate early pace was shown by the fact that under three lengths covered the first nine home.

Patrick Bioucone, fresh from his triumph in last Thursday's Coronation Cup, with Triptych, was saddling his second winner of the French Derby, Bikala having been his previous winner in 1981. "I am just like Mitterand. I only win every seven years," he said triumphantly, afterwards.

In his only previous outing this season, Hours After had finished seventh at Longchamp. "He needed that race badly," said the trainer. "We'll now go for the Irish Derby."

When asked about the merit of yesterday's winning performance, compared with that of Kahyasi last Wednesday, Eddery said:"You don't win a Jockey Club without speed, but it is impossible to compare the two."

With Kahyasi and the Epsom runner-up, Glacian Storm, also under orders for June 26, the Budweiser Irish Derby looks like providing the mid-season championship for three-year-olds, and Emmson is also likely to be in the line-up.

Willie Carson was inclined to blame the slow early pace for Emmson's defeat. "I would just about have won, if there had been a stronger pace."

Simon Weinstock, one of the horse's part owners, added:" It's very hard to train them to try and make all the running."

Hern was not at Chantilly but had said earlier that Charmer jarred his foot in the Derby and is lame behind. Minster Son pulled a muscle. Unfortwin was doing too much throughout the race and it didn't suit him. I am not too disappointed. After all, horses are only flesh and blood."

Chantilly details

Going: soft

2.20 PRIX DU JOCKEY-CLUB LANCIA (Group I: £200,002): 3-Y-O colts and fillies: 1m 4f): 1, HOURS AFTER (Pat Eddery); 2, Ghost Buster's (G Mosse); 3, Emmson (W Carson). ALSO RAN (in finishing order): Exactly Sharp, Nasr El Arab (tav), Wolf River, Rachmaninov, Kris Kringle, Soft Machine, Facé Nord, Pasakos, Captain Blake, Top Class, Vallotton, Safety Catch, Bricassar, 16 ran. Sh hd, ¾l, sh nk, sh hd, nk. P-L Blancone. Pari-Mutuel (including 1fr stake): 17.10; 5.00, 11.30, 3.50. DF: 943.90. 2min 33.4sec.

Totem fancied

Totem, having run last year's Cork and Orrery Stakes winner Big Shuffle to a head over six furlongs at The Curragh last month, can now fend off three English challengers, Sharp Romance, Polykratis and Great Chaddington, in the group three five-furlongs Ballyogan Stakes at Leopardstown this afternoon (Our Irish Racing Correspondent writes).

Davies's eyes are opened on tour

From Chris Thau

Jonathan Davies, the Welsh stand-off half, has been sharply critical of British playing standards in the aftermath of the draw against Taranaki.

"New Zealand rucking is far harder and cleaner than ours back home," he said. "In Britain rucking is often an opportunity for stamping and dirty play whereas in New Zealand it is really excellent. It produces good, quick attacking balls. We have to implement New Zealand standards in our game if we want to improve."

The Welsh tour vice-captain bears the burden of team cap-taincy with remarkable ease despite trying circumstances and has also suggested that as far as the basic skills are concerned it might be too late for the present generation of players to change their habits.

"I've learned a lot from this tour but it is essential when we go back home to start to teach the kids the right skills and attitude demanded by the game."

Welsh skills and attitudes came under intense scrutiny during the tour and have been severely criticised by many New Zealand experts.

Porta not available

Buenos Aires (Reuter) – Hugo Porta, the Argentinian stand-off half, said he would not be available for the two internationals against France, who on Saturday began a seven-match tour of Argentina with a 29-16 victory over the champions, San Isidro, here.

But Porta, who will be 37 in September, was not ruling himself out of the Pumas's tour of France in November if he were selected. Porta, one of the all-time great stand-off halves and captain of the Pumas since 1978, went to Australia last month to play for a World XV against the Wallabies in the bicentenary match.

Britain unleash raging bulldog

The British Combined Services and Police finished their seven-match tour of New Zealand in Wellington on Saturday with a fine display of running rugby and a creditable 19-19 draw that flattered their New Zealand comrades-in-arms (Chris Thau writes). In an entertaining and free-flowing game the British scored two goals, one try and one penalty to one try, three penalties and two dropped goals.

In view of the 49-0 humiliation inflicted by the visiting New Zealanders in 1985, the draw is a credit to the visitors' dedication and commitment, grafted on to a solid base of skill and expertise.

Yearning to dismiss the eternal underdog tag increasingly attached to British teams in New Zealand, the Services produced a performance full of cool fire and passion that earned them the respect of their rugged opponents. The backs, led masterfully by Steele, the Army stand-off half, ran the ball with every opportunity while the forwards drove relentlessly at their opponents.

Carter, the flank forward, and Ryan, the No. 8, scored a try each in the first half Lee, the scrum half, went on to the blind side and was carried over for the equalizing try by the rampaging British forwards.

SCORERS: New Zealand Combined Services: Try: J Kennedy. Penalty Goal: A McMaster (2). Dropped goal: A Rangihuna (1). British Combined Services: Tries: A Carter, D Ryan, T Lee. Penalty goal: J Steele. Conversion: J Steele (2).

NEW ZEALAND COMBINED SERVICES: A McMaster (NZ RAF); A Burr (NZ Army), C Kapa (NZ Police), D Maunsell (NZ Army), E Lloyd (NZ Army); A Rangihuna (NZ Police), L Cleopatra (NZ Navy); D Harvey (NZ Police), K Debarbe (NZ Army), D Thomas (NZ Police), R Wilkinson (NZ Police), L Wallis (NZ Army), M Henderson (NZ Army, capt), A McDonald (NZ Army), J Kennedy (NZ Police).

BRITISH COMBINED SERVICES: M Hembury (Police); N Heslop (Police), S Rolfe (RAF), C Sparwart (army), B Hanavan (Police); J Steele (Army), T Lee (Police); M Linnett (Police), C Hillman (Police), C Campbell (Army), N Reece (Navy), S Gallagher (Police), S Sutton (Police, capt), A Carter (Police), D Ryan (Army).
Referee: K Heard.

Day of shame for Britain

From a Correspondent
Tamworth, Australia

NSW Northern Division 36
Great Britain..... 12

If Great Britain had a hole to hide in, they would be in it now. An inept game against a scratch, part-time side at Tamworth saw them play a back-wheeling first half and cap it with a second 40 minutes that left British officials hiding their heads in shame.

The side was supposed to be the one that would challenge for nomination as the British team to meet Australia in the Centenary international on Saturday. Instead, they seemed to want to play themselves out of a place instead of into one.

Only Schofield, captaining the side, and Hulme, at stand-off, played as though they were wearing a Great Britain jersey. The rest went through the motions. Crooks, on whom so much depended at the start of the Whitbread Trophy tour, played as though tomorrow would do. He will have to go through it all again at Manly tomorrow if he is to deserve the international place that would have been his with only a pinch of effort. Laughlin, now the first choice full back, had his worst game of the tour, but he was not alone.

Sparked by the half backs, McGrady, who was outstanding in scoring two tries, and Laurie, the captain, Northern Division made Britain look second rate, scoring five tries against two by the touring team. It was their first defeat by Northern Division since the 1966 tour.

Now, the game against Manly which was going to be a run out for the also rans, will assume the importance of a final trial. It is only to be hoped that the players selected realize the importance of the occasion.

SCORERS: Northern Division: Tries: Cumming, McGrady (2), Plater, Maynes. Goals: Sprnks (6). Great Britain: Tries: Gill, Schofield. Goals: Laughlin (2).
NSW NORTHERN DIVISION: Spinks, Plater, Gardner, Ryan, French, Laurie, McGrady, Maynes, Lavender, Cumming, Cotter, Masters, McCann.
GREAT BRITAIN: Laughlin (St Helens), P Ford (Bradford Northern), Schofield (Leeds), Stephenson (Leeds), Gill (Wigan), Hulme (Widnes), M Ford (Oldham), Crooks (Leeds), Groves (St Helens), Case (Wigan), Medley (Leeds), Powell (Leeds), Haggerty (St Helens).
Referee: B Priest (Orange).

Australia have announced their side for the first international in Sydney on Saturday. As expected, it is heavily weighted with Queenslanders who have won both of the State of Origin matches so far.

The side is full of players well known to English followers of the game, including Jack, the full back, who was with Salford, forwards, Lindner (Castleford) and Fullerton-Smith (Leeds), in what looks to be a formidable combination.

AUSTRALIA: G Jack, A Etongshausen, M O'Connor, P Jackson, T Currie, W Lewis (capt), P Sterling, B Lindner, P Vautin, W Fullerton-Smith, S Backo, G Conescu, P Daley. Substitutes: Belcher, Folkes.

RUGBY LEAGUE

GOLF

Victory hands Hardin a Masters invitation

By John Hennessy

Despite the lack of British participation, the Amateur championship at Royal Porthcawl on Saturday provided an absorbing final which went to the 36th hole for the first time since 1976. On an afternoon of glorious sunshine, Christian Hardin, of Sweden, beat Ben Fouchee, of South Africa, by one hole.

The seven-iron shot Hardin played to the final hole has caused him to reconsider his career in the short term. He had intended to turn professional at the end of this season, but who could pass up an invitation to Augusta for next April's Masters, which this title confers? The morning's golf was a little untidy, almost a necessary appetizer to the main dish, it seemed. Hardin, round in 75, three over par, was one up.

The afternoon's feast was something else. Hardin had fours at the first three holes to return to three up, as he had been three times during the morning. But he was confounded by the short fourth, and when Fouchee implanted two birdies, at the sixth and seventh, among pars by both players it was all square again.

Fouchee regained the lead he had surrendered 28 holes earlier when Hardin, at the 15th, totted up four indifferent shots

Fouchee, however, lengthened the long 17th critically by missing the fairway on the right against the dogleg and could not match the Swedish player's birdie. From the 18th tee Hardin produced a drive of 20 yards beyond his opponent's and that seven-iron landed 20 yards nearer the pin.

Hardin could not quite round off the occasion with a birdie from 12 feet, but the South African rolled his huge downhill putt 10 feet past and could not make the return.

CYCLING

Hypnosis helps Pritchard to victory

By Peter Bryan

With a little help from a hypnosis tape before he started, John Pritchard, an RAF physical training instructor at High Wycombe, yesterday became the first over-40 rider to win the national 25-mile championship near Andover.

Pritchard has been enthusiastic about the value of hypnosis since last year's title trial when he took the silver medal; it calms his nerves, he says, and he more than proved his point.

He was last man off in the list of 120 accepted for the championship, held on a course that was made hard by three tiring hills. Pritchard's time of 26min 39sec to the halfway mark was more than 30 seconds faster than anyone else.

On the return run the 27-second advantage over his team colleague, Martin Pyne, went up to 1min 33sec as Pritchard completed his ride in 52min 45sec, the third fastest time in the 44-year history of the championship.

Once again it was Tyneside's Mick Bradshaw who took the bronze, repeating his 1987 placing.

RESULTS: 1, J Pritchard (Polytechnic-Air Canada), 52min 45sec; 2, M Pyne (Polytechnic-Air Canada), 54:18; 3, M Bradshaw (Metro GS), 54:22. Team: Polytechnic-Air Canada (Pritchard, Pyne and P Bennett), 2hr 43min 27sec.

● Aching – and sometimes drained – legs were being nursed back to full function yesterday, as masseurs worked on the 75 Milk Race survivors, grateful for their one rest day in the 1,150-mile marathon.

Led by Ivan Ivanov, the Russians look capable of winning both the individual and team awards when the race finishes in Birmingham on Saturday.

Ivanov, who has already demonstrated his superior strength in the hills, will not be daunted by today's crossing of the Pennines from Chester to Sheffield. He now leads overall from Chris Bailey, of the United States, by 4min 45sec with the British professional, Bob Downs, at 6min 6sec on the Russian.

TODAY'S STAGE: Chester (9.30 a.m) to Sheffield (2.30 p.m). 169 miles.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

First Cornhill Test match
11.0, 90 overs minimum
TRENT BRIDGE: England v West Indies.
Britannic Assurance championship
11.0, 110 overs minimum
CARDIFF: Glamorgan v Kent.
LIVERPOOL: Lancashire v Hampshire.
LORD'S: Middlesex v Worcestershire.
TAUNTON: Somerset v Northampton shire.
HORSHAM: Sussex v Derbyshire.
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Notting hamshire.
HARROGATE: Yorkshire v Surrey.
WARWICK UNDER-25 COMPETITION
Wanstead: Essex v Northamptonshire Bristol: Gloucestershire v Somerset; Ealing: Middlesex v Leicestershire; Sheffield: Yorkshire v Derbyshire.
BAIN CLARKSON TROPHY: The Oval Surrey v Kent; Worcester: Worcestershire v Warwickshire.
TOUR MATCH: Swansea: Glamorgan XI v Aboriginals (12.0, one-day).

OTHER SPORT

BOXING: Tournament: Hilton Hotel.

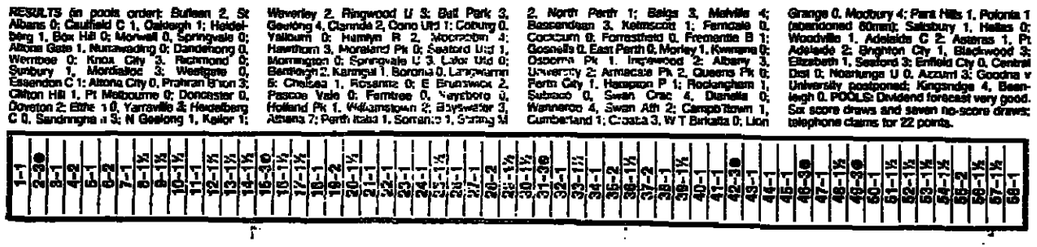
CYCLING: Milk Race (Seventh stage: Chester to Sheffield).
MOTORCYCLING: Isle of Man TT races.
PARACHUTING: Vaux Breweries British national open championships (at Snidlington).
SPEEDWAY: Meetings at Wolverhampton; Reading; Newcastle; Exeter.
SQUASH RACKETS: Dunlop champion of champions (at Cannons Club, London EC4); International tournament (at Cardiff).
TENNIS: Stella Artois championships (at Queen's Club, West Kensington); Dow Chemicals classic (at Edgbaston); Royal Bank of Scotland championships (at Craiglockart).
YACHTING: Weymouth Olympic week.

SPORT ON TV

BOXING: ITV 2.55-5 a.m. (tomorrow). **WBC Middleweight championship:** Thomas Hearns v Iran Barkley live from the Las Vegas Hilton.
CRICKET: BBC1 10.50 a.m.-1.0, 1.50-3 p.m. **BBC2** 3-6.10 p.m. Highlights: **BBC2** 11.25 p.m.: First Cornhill Insurance Test: England v West Indies, live coverage from Trent Bridge.

POOLS CHECK

RESULTS (in pools order): Bulleen 2, St Albans 0; Caulfield C 1, Oakleigh 1; Heidelberg 1, Box Hill 0; Morwell 0, Springvale 0; Altona Gate 1, Nunawading 0; Dandenong 0, Werribee 0; Knox City 3, Richmond 0; Sunbury 1, Mordialloc 3; Westgate 0, Essendon C 1; Altona City 0, Prahran Union 3; Clifton Hill 1, Pt Melbourne 0; Doncaster 0, Doveton 2; Eltham 1, 0, Yarraville & Heidelberg C 0, Sandringha m 3; N Geelong 1, Keilor 1; Waverley 2, Ringwood U 3; Ball Park 3, Geelong 4, Clarinda 2, Cono Utd 1; Coburg 0, Yallourn 0; Hamlyn B 2, Moorabbin 4; Hawthorn 3, Moreland Pk 0; Seaford Utd 1, Mornington 0; Springvale U 3, Lake Utd 0; Bentleigh 2, Karingal 1, Boronia 0, Langwarrin 6; Chelsea 1, Rosanna 0; E Brunswick 2, Pascoe Vale 0; Fernlree 0, Newtsboro 0, Holland Pk 1, Williamstown 2; Blaywater 3, Altona 7; Perth Italia 1, Somerton 1, Stirling Utd 2, North Perth 1; Balga 3, Melville 4; Bassendean 3, Kelmscott 1; Fremantle 0, Cockburn 6; Forrestfield 0, Fremantle B 1; Gosnells 0, East Perth 0, Morley 1, Kwinana 0; Osborne Pk 1, Inglewood 2; Albany 3, University 2; Armadale Pk 2, Queens Pk 0; Perth City 1, Hampton P 1; Rockingham 1, Subiaco 0, Swan Crac 4, Dianella 0; Wanneroo 4, Swan Alth 2; Campbtown 1, Cumberland 1; Croatia 3, W T Birkalla 0; Lion Grange 0, Modbury 4; Para Hills 1, Polonia 1 (abandoned 60min); Salisbury 1, Hellas 0; Woodville 1, Adelaide C 2; Adelaide 1, Pt Adelaide 2; Brighton City 1, Blackwood 3; Elizabeth 1, Seaford 3; Enfield City 0, Central Dist 0; Noarlunga U 0, Azzurri 3; Goodna v University postponed; Kingaroy 4, Beenleigh 0. POOLS: Dividend forecast very good. Six score draws and seven no-score draws; telephone claims for 22 points.



BOXING

Hearns out to prove a point

Las Vegas (Reuter) – Thomas Hearns, the only man to win world championships at four different weights, is determined to prove his career is not yet over when he defends his World Boxing Council (WBC) middleweight title against fellow-American, Iran Barkley, tonight.

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Topeka Express to complete double

By Mandarin

Topeka Express can defy a 7lb penalty to land the Clementine Calver Handicap at Redcar this afternoon, when all the races are named after trainers' wives.

The Colin Tinkler-trained five-year-old, twice successful last season, including an emphatic success over seven furlongs here, showed plenty of promise on his first two runs this term despite not making the frame.

That potential was fulfilled when, a week ago, he held off Glencroft over this course and distance. Although there was only a short head between them at the line, the third was a further eight lengths away, and Topeka Express produced an eye-catching burst of acceleration after finding considerable trouble in running.

My feeling is that the bare form fails to tell the whole story, and that Topeka Express may still have enough in hand to overcome the extra weight.

Miss Sarajane, who has been running in competitive handicaps this year, may prefer the ground a bit softer, and a greater danger could be Boot Polish.

He has done most of his recent campaigning over seven furlongs but is a useful miler at his best, as he demonstrated when second to Waajib in the valuable Schweppes Golden Mile at Goodwood last term.

The Sue Camacho Maiden Stakes could go to Arsonist, who is better than his form figures indicate. On his seasonal reappearance he finished a fair second to Bold Stranger at Newmarket only to be disqualified and placed last for causing interference.

Next time out he again ran creditably when a staying-on fifth, beaten little more than two lengths, to Winning Gallery, also at Newmarket.



Colin Tinkler, who trains fancied Topeka Express

Although neither of those races was out of the ordinary Arsonist certainly faces an easier task here, and may be too strong for Tailspin.

Golden Beau looks the answer to the first division of the Carol Tinkler Claiming Stakes. He was a well-backed favourite when fourth to Kirkby Flyer in a handicap over course and distance last week and this is a step down in class for him.

The second division may go to **Signore Odone**, while the penalized **Persistent Bell** can concede weight all round in the Liz Whitaker Handicap.

Goodwood stages a particularly competitive evening programme on which the safest bet is likely to be the Henry Cecil-trained newcomer **Zalazl**. The $300,000 Roberto colt is, by all accounts, highly regarded and should make a successful debut in the BBC Radio Kent Maiden Stakes.

However, the bookmakers are unlikely to be giving much away with his price and for better value I side with **Nebula Way**, who is entrusted with the nap.

He was the proverbial model of consistency last season, finishing in the first three in each of his four starts, and he put up a commendable performance when three lengths third to the useful Harp Islet at Ascot.

He has not been disgraced in his two starts this season, most recently finishing fourth to the Royal Ascot-bound Hoy at Salisbury. Although on that form there is little to choose between him and Park Street, I feel that Nebula Way may have the edge in pace on Peter Walwyn's gelding.

The BBC South Today Stakes could go to **Cruise Ship**, who has been tackling better company this season, while **Derwent Valley**, although inconsistent, can take the Jack Grant Racedata Handicap.

At the day's other evening fixture at Edinburgh, the best bet looks to be **Identity Parade** in the Royal Scots Club Maiden Stakes.

Blinkered first time

REDCAR: 3.15 Haworth, 3.45 Ecu d'Or, 4.15 Fountaincourt, 5.15 Hallcross. EDINBURGH: 7.45 Big Aitch, 8.15 Snow Lady. GOODWOOD: 7.0 Glen Oak, 8.25 Time Share.

Rimell tops the bill on Three Counties

By Brian Beel

The whoops of delight normally heard at Stratford from the large crowd of hunter chase and point-to-point enthusiasts greeting the winner of a John Corbett Cup were missing on Friday evening as the Mercy Rimell-trained Deep Prospect returned to be unsaddled.

However, on Saturday, there were plenty of cheers as Three Counties justified favouritism and provided a thrilling finish in the *Horse and Hound* Final to complete the double for the Kinnersley yard.

The professionals dominated both the amateur classic events, providing the runners-up as well as the winners.

No one could stint their praise on Saturday in the riding of Katie Rimell, who has often been critized in the past for her weakness in a tight finish.

Three Counties appeared to be running as if he had decided that he had done enough for the season, and a crack from the *whip four out*, when he was some 20 lengths behind, had no immediate effect.

By the last, however, Three Counties had warmed to his task and under vigorous *riding, got* up just before the line to win by half a length from Bajan Sunshine, with Miller Hill, third.

EXMOOR POINT-TO-POINT: Hunt: 1, Wondernot (L Williams); 2, Topical Tar (G Edwards); 3, Danny Boy (J Vicars). BFSS: 1, Golden Hornet (P Schofield); 2, Just Dai (J Dufosee); 3, Stoneyard (Miss L Delve). Adj: 1, Sammy Lux (P Schofield); 2, Tiuca (R Green); 3, River Culm (C Down). Ladies: 1,. *Mendip Express* (Miss A. Dare); 2, Jerry Doyle (Miss J Southcombe); 3, For-A-lark (Mrs J Mills). Open: 1, Pickeral Wing (M Fenton); 2, General Wrelon (M Sheppard); 3, Royal Casino (G Upton); Mdn: 1, Aren't We All (G Edwards); 2, Carving Knife (C Down); 3, Lucky Romany (N Harris)

Misfortune haunts Smith Eccles as partnership ends

By Christopher Goulding

Llanarmon failed to provide a happy ending for the severed *partnership of Steve Smith* Eccles and Nicky Henderson when breaking down at Stratford on Saturday, the final day of the National Hunt season.

Next term, Henderson relies on a strong nucleus of young *riders, Jamie Osborne*, John White, Mike Bowlby and James Railton, already attached to his Lambourn yard. Smith Eccles will continue riding as a freelance.

The combination of bad luck and the virus that *plagued* the Henderson horses throughout the season continued right to the bitter end. Henderson had hoped that his bad luck would relent to enable his three-year association with Smith Eccles to *finish with a final winner.*

For once it looked as though the script was exactly right as Llanarmon bowled along in front in the Puppy Walkers Novices' Handicap Hurdle, going ominously well until he *suddenly had to be pulled up* before the third-last flight. This was due to the gelding going lame from a suspected split pastern.

"That typifies my season." said a dejected Smith Eccles.

In February, Henderson and Smith Eccles encountered their biggest disappointment when *See You Then had his* career brought to an abrupt halt at Wincanton where he was being prepared for a fourth victory attempt in the Champion Hurdle.

The senior rider reflected: "My split with Nicky Henderson bears no animosity. I can understand his reason. He has some good young jockeys in the stable and has to give them rides to keep them, especially Jamie *Osborne, who everyone is after.*

"I will ride probably for another couple of years as a freelance, and I will still have some rides for Nicky along with Gavin Pritchard-Gordon, David Gandolfo, Jeff King and *John Jenkins.*"

Smith Eccles recently returned from a successful trip to the United States where he won a chase at Maryland. "I am off out there again on Tuesday to ride for Andy Elder, who is a very good trainer, at Belmont Park on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. "

Brendan Powell, who had a season to remember having won the Grand National on Rhyme 'N' *Reason, will be riding* freelance next year. "I've had no offers for jobs, but I am still hoping." said Powell, who flies out to Australia today to represent Great Britain in the jockeys' team along with Hywel Davies, Carl Llewellyn and Richard Rowe.

Peter Scudamore had already secured his fourth jockeys' championship, but the exciting outcome for second place, between Richard Dunwoody and Chris Grant, was not decided until Market Rasen's evening meeting.

Dunwoody took the lead in the afternoon with a double at Stratford where Grant also collected a winner. Grant, however pipped Dunwoody by one with a double at Market Rasen.

Tim Thomson Jones, who will start training next season, made it a treble in the amateur riders' championship.

GOODWOOD

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.30 Cruise Ship.	6.30 Superbest.
7.00 Tapageur.	7.00 Cup Defender.
7.25 Derwent Valley.	7.25 One Liner.
7.55 Everaldo.	7.55 Appealiana.
8.25 NEBULA WAY (nap).	8.25 Lady Lustre.
8.55 Zalazl.	8.55 Zalazl.

Michael Seely's selection: *8.55* ZALAZL *(nap).*

Going: good **Draw: high numbers best**

6.30 BBC SOUTH TODAY STAKES (£3,154: 7f) (15 runners)

1	(9)	1410-00	HIGH MACH 16 (F) *(P Green)* M Pipe 4-9-12	J Williams		—
3	(11)	00	FRESH FROM VICTORY 14 (P Deal) H Candy 4-9-0	Antoinette Armes (7)		—
4	(6)	20-0000	RANKSTREET 16 (V,D,S) (J Rumble) P Arthur 4-9-0	C Rutter		84
5	(8)	002400-	*RESIDENCY 242 (R Richmond-Watson) D Laing 4-9-0*	T Williams		84
7	(10)	030400-	RUN BY 242 (H Spack) G Balding 4-9-0	Pat Eddery		79
8	(14)	0	SNAAFI KRIS 34 (Mrs P Harris) P Harris 4-9-0	T Quinn		—
9	(15)	10-3	*RUNNETTFORFUN 7 (C,F) (A Smith) C Nelson 3-8-13*	*J Reid*		92
10	(3)		BAYNARD'S BLUE (Mrs Y Eustace) A Hicks 4-9-11	A McGlone		—
11	(12)	2010-00	CRUISE SHIP 32 (G) (A Richards) C Britain 3-8-11	S Cauthen		90
12	(2)	0-	RUSSLEY 216 (A Newton) M Francis 4-9-11	N Adams		—
13	(1)	000-1	LORDSHIP 79 (S) (Amity Finance Ltd) R Akehurst 3-8-8	R Hills (5)		—
14	(4)	201-	SUPERBEST 213 (G) (Mrs P Yong) W O'Gorman 3-8-5	T Ives	⊕	99
15	(7)	00	DECIDER 34 (G Chagoury) Mrs L Piggott 3-8-3	W Carson		88
16	(5)	03640-0	HORATIAN 33 (J Tudor) N Vigors 3-8-3	P Cook		97
17	(13)	0-0	*HORSA 19 (R Black) D Elsworth 3-8-3*	S Dawson		—

BETTING: 11-4 Superbest, 3-1 Horatian, 9-2 Decider, 13-2 Runnettforfun, 10-1 Rankstreet, 12-1 Run By, Cruise Ship, 14-1 Residency, 16-1 others.

1987: PETER MOON 3-8-4 M Roberts (3-1) R Armstrong 9 ran

FORM HIGH MACH (9-4) never a threat when beaten 20l by Daigan (8-7) at Lingfield (1m 2f, £5056, good to firm, May 21, 10 ran).

RUNNETTFORFUN (9-7) 3rd made some headway 2 out when beaten nk 1l by Mardood (8-9) at Chepstow *(7f, stks, £2314, good to soft, May 30, 16* ran).

CRUISE SHIP (8-12) 5th beaten 28¼l by Clifton Chapel (8-12) at Chester (1m 2f, list, £17826, heavy, May 5, 5 ran).

LORDSHIP a winner over 9f in Ireland.

SUPERBEST (9-0) hard ridden to win by a sh hd from Sister Chabrias (8-9) at Doncaster (6f, mdn, £1194, good, Nov 6, 21 ran).

DECIDER (9-0) 5th lacked pace close home beaten 6¾l by Literati (9-0) at Kempton (1m, mdn, £3173, good, May 3, 14 ran).

HORATIAN (9-6) 3rd beaten over 5l by Blue Rhythm (8-11) at Salisbury (7f, h'cap, £3145, soft, May 4, 12 ran).

HORSA (9-0) 10th behind Very Adjacent (9-0) here (6f, grad, £1892, good to firm, May 18, 12 ran).

Selection: DECIDER

7.0 FEDERATION OF SUSSEX INDUSTRIES CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,278: 1m 4f) (15 runners)

2	(1)	0	DEMAGOGUE 14 (R Sangster) J Hills 9-0	R Street		—
3	(5)	000-05	GLEN OAK 16 (V) (A Oppenheimer) D Laing 9-0	T Williams		79
5	(2)	213-0	TAPAGEUR 27 (G) (Mrs N Phillips Browne) J Hills 9-0	R Hills	⊕	99
7	(15)	00	CUP DEFENDER 13 (Mrs C Thierlot) B Hanbury 8-11	G Bardwell (5)		—
8	(3)	0-6	DESERT PALM 56 (Mrs R Wigley) N Vigors 8-11	P Cook		—
9	(6)	0204-30	GEORGETOWN BELLE 14 (W Ponsonby) P Cole 8-11	T Quinn		85
10	(9)	044-0	ACEFACE 11 (A C Edwards Ltd) Dr J Scargill 8-9	T Ives		—
11	(11)	2011-00	ALVIN YORK 11 (D,G,S) (E St George) J Jenkins 8-9	S Cauthen		91
12	(14)	0004-	MR MURDOCK 242 (A-Team Bloodstock Ltd) J Fox 8-9	L Jones		90
13	(8)	08-0000	TANG 7 (V) (D Margolis) P Kelleway 8-9	M Rimmer		83
14	(13)	200-000	*VICEROY MELODY 14 (F Brooon) R Hannon 8-7*	W Carson		90
17	(4)	8	BON TYRANO 32 (Dr E Chance) M Fetherston-Godley 8-4	N Howe		—
19	(12)	000	KILBARRY LAD 21 (Burt & Travica Contractors Ltd) P Butler 8-3	—		—
20	(7)	00-2200	*LESBET 27 (Mrs L Carlson) C Wildman 8-1*	N Adams		81
21	(10)	0-02	SORORITY 14 (David Hobdell Building Ltd) D Laing 8-1	C Rutter		82

BETTING: 100-30 Tapageur, 7-2 Viceroy Melody, 4-1 Alvin York, 8-1 Lesbet, 9-1 Sorority, Aceface, 10-1 Georgetown Belle, 14-1 Glen Oak, 16-1 others.

1987: BURLEY NATIVE 8-7 T Ives (10-1) G Pritchard-Gordon 9 ran

FORM DEMAGOGUE (9-0) 11th ran well *enough to suggest there is some* ability when behind Nashid (9-0) at Bath (1m 3f, mdn, £2070, firm, May 23, 14 ran).

GLEN OAK (9-7) 3rd ran on well close home when beaten 5½l by Stistad Park (8-6) at Newmarket (1m 4f, sell h'cap, £1758, good to firm, May 21, 13 ran).

TAPAGEUR (9-7) 6th beaten 4½l by Own Free Will (8-5) at Haydock (1m 2f, h'cap, £3464, good, Apr 30, 12 ran).

GEORGETOWN BELLE (8-13) 8th never a threat beaten 9l by Valliant End (9-8) at Folkestone (1m 2f, h'cap, £1608, firm, May 23, 14 ran).

ALVIN YORK (8-8) 8th beaten 9¾l by What A Henry (8-11) at Catterick (1m 4f, claimer, £1605, good to firm, May 28, 13 ran).

LESBET (8-8) 14th behind Fenlands (9-0) at Chepstow (1m 4f, h'cap, £1942, good, May 10, 19 ran).

SORORITY (7-12) 2nd ran on close home beaten nk by Jealous Lover (8-8) at Folkestone (1m 2f, seller, £960, firm, May 23, 15 ran).

Selection: TAPAGEUR

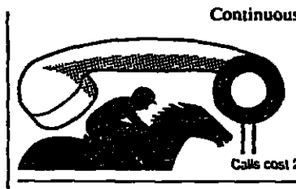
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TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent
W O'Gorman	3	6	50.0
H Cecil	24	62	38.7
C Nelson	5	18	27.8
P Cole	10	66	15.2
R J Houghton	5	34	14.7
M McCourt	3	23	13.0

JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
R Morse	3	11	27.3
S Cauthen	26	115	22.6
Pat Eddery	39	175	22.3
S Cauthen	29	156	18.6
J Reid	12	74	16.2
W Carson	28	175	16.0

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7.25 JACK GRANT RACEDATA HANDICAP (£3,850: 6f) (9 runners)

2	(9)	020-103	*ONE LINER 34 (CD,F,G,S) (K Al-Sakt) N Callaghan 4-9-10*	W Carson		98
3	(3)	4000-00	YOUNG INCA 27 (CD,F,G,S) (J Boswell) L Cottrell 10-9-6	I Johnson		96
4	(6)	0320-34	STORMY PRAISE 17 (Mrs M Townsend) C James 4-9-3	Pat Eddery		91
6	(4)	0003-60	HO MI CHINH 13 (D,F,G) (Mrs R Bradley) J Bradley 6-9-3	T Williams		93
7	(2)	020-040	DERWENT VALLEY 23 (D,F,S) (D Buchanan) R Hannon 4-8-13	G Starkey		86
8	(1)	000-000	NUMISMATIST 10 (CD,F,G) (Miss A Whitfield) M Francis 9-8-12	R Street		94
9	(8)	1000-02	COPPERMILL LAD 10 (D,F,S) (Mrs J Sargood) L Holt 5-8-12	N Adams	⊕	99
11	(7)	000-404	CORNCHARM 7 (D,F,S) (J McKeown) D R Tucker 7-7-7	—		84
12	(5)	000004	MONT ARTHUR 10 (D,F) (Mrs J Irving) P Howling 4-7-7	G Bardwell (5)		83

BETTING: 9-4 Stormy Praise, 4-1 One Liner, 9-2 Derwent Valley, 5-1 Young Inca, Numismatist, 8-1 Coppermill Lad, 10-1 others.

1987: OUR JOCK 5-9-12 W Carson (6-1) R Smyth 12 ran

FORM ONE LINER (9-10) 3rd kept on when beaten 1l nk by Restora (9-1) at Kempton (6f, h'cap, £5017, good, May 3, 16 ran).
YOUNG INCA, likes this course, (9-3) 7th never a threat when beaten 8l by Green Dollar (7-7) at Kempton (6f, h'cap, £3824, good, May 10, 10 ran).
STORMY PRAISE (8-7) 4th lost his lead in the final furlong when beaten over 3l by Master Pokey (9-0) at Newmarket (7f, h'cap, £4058, good, May 20, 8 ran).
DERWENT VALLEY (8-6) 9th to Gallant Hope (8-4) at *Newbury (6f, h'cap, £5080, firm, May 14, 13 ran).*
COPPERMILL LAD (9-4) 2nd , could not get to the winner Fremont Boy (8-5) beaten 2½l with MONT ARTHUR (7-2) 4th lacked pace close home beaten 6l and NUMISMATIST (9-4) 5th beaten over 6l here (6f, h'cap, £2983, good to firm, May 27, 9 ran).

Selection: YOUNG INCA

7.55 BBC RADIO SUSSEX HANDICAP (£2,826: 2m 3f) (8 runners)

1	(4)	000/412	ROUBAYD 18 (F,G) (S Cohn) R Akehurst 5-9-10	R Hills		98
2	(8)	311118/	*HIGH KNOWL 35J (F,G,S) (N Wellington) M Pipe 5-9-7*	*S Cauthen*		—
3	(3)	40-0000	JANISKI 6 (F,G) (H Chisman) Mrs B Waring 5-9-0	J Williams		95
5	(5)	2143-40	HARLESTONE LAKE 18 (F,G,S) (J Dunlop) J Dunlop 6-8-9	W Carson		96
6	(2)	00-3441	EVERALDO 18 (CD,F) (M Arbib) P Cole 4-8-9 (5ex)	T Quinn		98
8	(1)	4301-00	APPEALIANA 17 (F,G) (M Chandler) W Musson 5-7-10	A Mackay	⊕	99
9	(6)	000000-	FLUTTER MONEY 24J (R Dollar) A Hicks 4-7-7	N Adams		91
10	(7)	2/02-040	TUGBOAT 27 (F,S) (Mrs G Evennett) P Makin 9-7-7	G Bardwell (5)		87

BETTING: 15-8 Everaldo, 5-2 High Knowl, 100-30 Harlestone Lake, 6-1 Roubayd, 8-1 Appealiana.

1987: KNIGHTS LEGEND 4-10-0 Pat Eddery (10-11 fav) G Harwood 5 ran

FORM ROUBAYD (9-5) 2nd did not look very keen when beaten ½l by EVERALDO (8-8), the easy winner, with HARLESTONE LAKE (9-1) 7th always behind, here (2m 3f, h'cap, £3902, good to firm, May 19, 8 ran).
HIGH KNOWL will be fit from a hurdling, last ran on the Flat two-year's ago.
APPEALIANA (7-7) 5th lost touch two out when beaten 20½l by Ile De Rol (8-11) at Newmarket (1m 6f, h'cap, £3941, good to firm, May 20, 10 ran).
TUGBOAT (9-1) 9th beaten 21¾l by Track Angel (8-2) *at Nottingham (2m, h'cap £1951, good to soft,* May 10, 13 ran).

Selection: EVERALDO

8.25 BBC RADIO SOLENT HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,473: 1m) (14 runners)

2	(5)	3442-10	FIRE TOP 9 (G) (Mrs A Valentine) R Hannon 9-7	B Rouse		88
4	(4)	3322-04	NEBULA WAY 13 (P Vela) J Dunlop 9-2	W Carson		93
6	(5)	3040-00	TIME SHARE 19 (V,CD,F) (R Crutchley) R Johnson Houghton 9-1	J Reid		91
10	(1)	32-000	CARPE DIEM 19 (R Hutchinson) R Hutchinson 8-9	S Cauthen		91
11	(11)	04000-	HELLO STEVE 24S (Dr S Bennett) R Hannon 8-7	L Jones		95
12	(8)	430-100	ALIPURA 26 (G) (Mrs R Allason) D Laing 8-7	T Williams		94
13	(2)	00-033	*PARK STREET 13 (L Sainer) P Walwyn 8-7*	*Pat Eddery*		85
14	(7)	33-2004	GEOFFREY'S CHOICE 19 (A Perry) G Lewis 8-6	Paul Eddery		93
15	(12)	000-	ICE COLONY 220 (J Attenton) John FitzGerald 8-4	R Hills		91
16	(9)	210000	LADY LUSTRE 5 (D,S) (J Peters) C Allen 8-0	A Mackay		92
19	(14)	00600-0	SCARLET PRINCE 33 (B Marshall) M McCourt 7-12	R Fox		89
22	(13)	00-0001	OLD DUTCH HOLBORN 13 (F) (Somerdayne Ltd) M Smyly 7-10 (5ex)	N Adams	⊕	99
24	(3)	00-080	I'M ALERT 21 (Mrs T Buffett) M Blanshard 7-7	G Bardwell (5)		75
25	(10)	0200-40	TEAR IT DOWN 21 (B,G,S) (A Spence) R Akehurst 7-7	R Morse (5)		87

BETTING: *3-1 Time Share, 9-2 Nebula Way, 11-2 Park Street, 6-1 Old Dutch Holborn, 8-1 Geoffreys* Choice, 10-1 Fire Top, 12-1 Ice Colony, 14-1 Lady Lustre, 16-1 Hello Steve, 20-1 others.

1987: START-RITE 9-1 T Ives (11-2) W O'Gorman 17 ran

FORM FIRE TOP (8-10) 14th to Jamari (9-7) at Haydock over 1m; earlier (9-0) won well by 1½l from Native Flair (8-11) at Kempton (1m, mdn, £3201, good, May 3, 14 ran).
PARK STREET (8-3) 3rd failed to quicken inside the final furlong beaten 3l by Hoy (9-7) with NEBULA WAY (9-0) 4th stayed when beaten 5l at Salisbury (1m, h'cap, £4337, good to firm, May 24, 7 ran).
TIME SHARE (9-0) 5th lost touch 1f out beaten 9l by Milligan (8-5) with GEOFFREY'S CHOICE (8-1) 4th, finished well after starting very slowly beaten 5l here (1m, h'cap, £4396, good to firm, 17 ran).
SCARLET PRINCE (8-3) 8th never a factor beaten 7l by Batchworth Dancer (8-4) at Salisbury (6f, app'ce h'cap, £1326, soft, May 4, 15 ran).
OLD DUTCH HOLBORN (9-4) hard ridden to win by a hd from Gebitzi (9-8) at Salisbury (7f, sell h'cap, £2001, good to firm, May 24, 19 ran).

Selection: PARK STREET

8.55 EBF BBC RADIO KENT MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,399: 6f) (6 runners)

4	(2)		PELIGROSO (Mrs G Kelleway) P Kelleway 9-0	G Bardwell (5)		—
6	(4)		*RETOUCH (S Wingfield Digby) P Cole 9-0*	T Quinn		—
8	(5)		TRIOSO (P Goulandris) P Walwyn 9-0	Pat Eddery		—
10	(1)		WOODSIDE MILL (M Power) R Hannon 9-0	B Rouse		—
11	(6)		*ZALAZI USA (M AlMaktoum) H Cecil 9-0*	*S Cauthen*		—
13	(3)		GRANDIFLORA (Miss J Bradford) J Dunlop 8-9	W Carson		—

BETTING: 10-11 Zalazi , 100-30 Trioso, 4-1 Grandiflora, 10-1 Retouch, 25-1 Woodside Mill.

1987: WESTERN GUN 8-11 S Cauthen (9-4) R Armstrong 6 ran

PELIGROSO Foaled May 26. The first off-spring of a mare that failed to win.
RETOUCH Foaled Feb 13. A half-brother to two winners.
TRIOSO Foaled Mar 5. Cost 52,000gns. A half-sister to the useful Three Tails and Maysoon.
WOODSIDE MILL Foaled May 7. Cost 2,400gns.
ZALAZL Foaled Mar 27. Cost $300,000. Comes from good family. A half-brother to useful French winner, Synefos. Has been working well at home.
GRANDIFLORA Foaled Mar 31. Cost 30,000gns. A half-sister to winners in France.

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F – fell. P – pulled up. U – unseated rider. B – brought down. S – slipped up. R – refused. D – disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J *if jumps*, F if flat. (B – blinkers. V – visor. H – hood. E – Eyeshield. C – course winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and distance winner. BF – beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F – firm, good to firm, hard. G – good. S – soft. good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.45 SUE CAMACHO MAIDEN STAKES (£959: 1m 6f 160yd) (12 runners)

2	(1)		FELLOW'S NIGHT 159J (T Ramsden) R Simpson 5-8-7	M Gallagher (7)		—
3	(12)		HELLO HENRY 13J (Mrs M Corne) M Naughton 7-9-7	M Wigham		—
4	(8)	4-40000	TROJAN WAR 9 (V) (R Langley) C Spares 4-9-7	A Proud		85
5	(2)	00	FIJLODE 5 (G Haywood) J Etherington 5-9-4	K Darley		71
9	(11)	00-00	RELKISSIMO 9 (N Hetherton) W Elsey 4-9-4	N Carlisle		—
10	(4)		RENSHAW WOOD 408J (Mrs J Plummer) P Beaumont 8-9-4	P A Farrell		—
11	(5)	4440/0-0	ROSE TABLEAU 13J (B) (Mrs H Wells) P Daly 5-9-4	J Lowe		84
13	(9)	00-0	ALA AMRIK 20 (A Saleh) F Durr 3-8-4	M Birch		—
14	(6)	0-00	ARSONIST 16 (G B Turnbull Ltd) W Jarvis 3-8-4	N Connorton	⊕	99
15	(3)	00-0	CHEAP METAL 13 (H Norman) P Felgate 3-8-4	W Ryan		—
17	(7)	340-40	ECU D'OR 27 (V) (Mrs J de Rothschild) R Johnson Houghton 3-8-4	M Roberts		96
18	(10)	000-4	*TAILSPIN 55 (Mrs A Larsson) B Hills 3-8-4*	M Hills		92

BETTING: 9-4 Tailspin, 11-4 Arsonist, 9-2 Ecu D'Or, 8-1 Ala Amrik, 10-1 Fillode, 12-1 Fellow's Night, 14-1 Trojan War, 16-1 others.

1987: BY THE FIRESIDE 3-8-2 A Clark (4-6 fav) C Nelson 9 ran

4.15 CAROL TINKLER CLAIMING STAKES (Div I: £2,197: 1m 1f) (10 runners)

6	(8)	01330-0	FOUNTAINCOURT 2J (B,C,F) (K Colon) N Tinkler 4-9-10	Kim Tinkler		96
8	(5)	000-000	DAWN LOVE 9 (F,B) (J Rees) R Hollinshead 5-8-9	A Culhane (5)		82
11	(9)	002104	*GOLDEN BEAU 6 (BF,F,G,S) (J Motyam) M Naughton 5-9-7*	*R Cochrane*		88
21	(3)	00010-	KING OF ARAGON 212 (S) (Mrs F Durr) F Durr 3-9-3	Dean McKeown		89
22	(2)	314403	QUEENS TOUR 14 (G,S) (I Bell) M Britain 3-9-3	M Wigham		93
28	(4)	00040/0	PRINCESS NORA 396 (M Humphreys) G Kelly 5-8-9	P A Farrell		—
30	(10)	00-4000	ROBIN THE RICH 23 (G Harlas) M Ellerby 3-8-7	S Morris		84
31	(1)	000-02	CEDAR SHELL 14 (G B Turnbull Ltd) M Camacho 3-8-6	N Connorton	⊕	99
33	(7)	020	GUILTY GUEST 3 (I Glenton) R Stubbs 3-8-4	D Nicholls		78
35	(6)	04-03	OUR ROWENA 9 (G Moore) M Prescott 3-8-3	G Carter		91

BETTING: 3-1 Cedar Shell, 7-2 Queens Tour, 9-2 Fountaincourt, 11-2 Our Rowena, Golden Beau, 10-1 Guilty Guest, King of Aragon, 16-1 others.

1987: AKI-SUA 3-8-9 R Cochrane (7-2) R Sheather 11 ran

4.45 LIZ WHITAKER HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,450: 6f) (8 runners)

2	(8)	330-41	PERSISTENT BELL 10 (D,F) (Concorde) *Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-10 (6ex)* .. K Fallon (5)	⊕	99
3	(1)	10-030	FLORENTYNNA BAY 20 (F) (D Adams) R Simpson 9-7	M Gallagher (7)		83
4	(5)	032-	PULLOVER 314 (T Cox) T Barron 9-6	D Nicholls		70
5	(10)	00-0300	SIDDERS LAD 10 (G A Farndon Eng Co Ltd) R Whitaker 9-5	Dean McKeown		82
6	(4)	2224-	DARING DELIGHT 217 (D Phillips) M Brittain 9-4	M Wigham		82
9	(2)	12000-0	SHIKARI'S SOVEREIGN 20 (G) (P Donoghue) C Spares 9-1	A Proud		80
10	(11)	0-0000	CHERRY CHAP 24 (B) (Mrs M Hills) D Chapman 8-11	S Webster		—
14	(3)	2400-03	NEAT STYLE 20 (A White) R Hollinshead 8-5	A Culhane (5)		97
15	(6)	00-0000	GOLD WALK 27 (Miss S Easterby) M W Easterby 8-3	M Roberts		86
16	(7)	00000-0	LOCH QUEST 10 (Mrs M Jones) K Stone 8-3	G Brown		—
17	(9)	0000-00	ALMETISE 20 (D,G) (J Wood) B McMahon 7-9	J Lowe		85

BETTING: 9-4 Persistent Bell, 4-1 Neat Style, 5-1 Florentynna Bay, Daring Delight, 8-1 Pullover, 10-1 Gold Walk, Bidders Lad, 14-1 others.

1987: NORTON MELODY 8-10 M Birch (15-8 fav) M H Easterby 13 ran

5.15 CAROL TINKLER CLAIMING STAKES (Div II: £2,194: 1m 1f) (10 runners)

4	(4)	000-004	SIGNORE ODONE 7 (F) (B Shaw) M H Easterby 8-9-12	M Birch	⊕	99
5	(3)	340402/3	*FOREMAST 28 (S) (J Livock) J Jenkins 5-9-10*	G Baxter		88
9	(10)	0000-00	DAMART 25 (S) (P Davies) M Naughton 4-9-8	R Cochrane		84
12	(2)	40-0404	MUBDI 2J (BF,F) (Full Circle T'breds D Plc) N Tinkler 4-9-7	Kim Tinkler		86
17	(7)	40/3000	JOHNSTAN BOY 9 (J Porthouse) C Tinkler 5-9-4	—		93
18	(8)	00000-0	ON IMPULSE 7 (F) (Mrs B Woodford) R Simpson 5-9-4	M Gallagher (7)		87
23	(6)	00-1200	WINMOSS 14 (F,S) (M Brittain) M Brittain 3-9-3	M Wigham		98
24	(5)	04300-0	HALLCROSS 30 (V) (E Emmanuel) Miss S Hall 4-9-1	J Bleasdale		—
27	(9)	00/0-	TALLAND BAY 427 (B Skinton) M Camacho 4-8-11	N Connorton		—
32	(1)	00	FIERY SUN 9 (L Swales) G Oldroyd 3-8-4	—		—

BETTING: 9-4 Mubdi, 7-2 Winmoss, 4-1 Signore Odone, 7-1 Foremast, 8-1 Hallcross, 10-1 Johnstan Boy, On Impulse, 14-1 others.

1987: WARPLANE 7-9-10 J Bleasdale (7-4 fav) Q Thornton 9 ran

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Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Topeka Express.	2.15 —
2.45 Flycroft.	2.45 —
3.15 Miss Camellia.	3.15 RASLAAN (nap).
3.45 Arsonist.	3.45 Arsonist.
4.15 Golden Beau.	4.15 Our Rowena.
4.45 Persistent Bell.	4.45 —
5.15 Signore Odone.	5.15 —

Michael Seely's selection: *4.45 Persistent Bell.*

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: *4.45* PERSISTENT BELL.

Going: good **Draw: high numbers best up to 1m**

2.15 CLEMENTINE CALVER HANDICAP (£2,725: 1m) (9 runners)

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CRICKET: ENGLAND CAN ESCAPE WITH A DRAW IN FIRST TEST MATCH UNLESS BATTING COLLAPSES IN FINAL SESSIONS AT TRENT BRIDGE

Gatting's trust in convention

By Andrew Longmore

Captaincy is a tough task at the best of times, but when Viv Richards is batting it becomes *more than ever a matter of faith.*

On Saturday, the first two balls of the second over of the day disappeared over square cover and extra cover respectively. They were not bad balls either, Jarvis, the poor bowler, later protested. But, with Richards, the conventions of the game cease to apply and that *poses a mighty problem for the* opposing captain.

Does he match unorthodox *with unorthodox or does he stick* to convention? Does he attack, knowing he could lose the match in an hour, or does he defend, *knowing that defence is often* academic against Richards's power? Gatting stuck to the *basics. He did drop Lamb* back to stop the lofted drive but in the main relied on old-fashioned virtues.

However, it is not quite as easy as that. Take the rest of Jarvis's over, for example. After the two fours came a muffed hook, an off-drive which went for two through mid-wicket and a defensive push.

You cannot set fields to cope with that sort of ambition. In his present mood, Richards plays his game and you have to hope that yours comes into the same orbit occasionally.

For a long while, at Trent Bridge, it did. After the initial onslaught, Jarvis, DeFreitas and Pringle tied the West Indian captain down. Then came Emburey, bowling with six men on the leg side on a wicket which was supposed to be turning. And what happened? The ball disappeared into the indoor school. "Well, *he is the slowest of the* bowlers," Richards said, as if that was a suitable excuse. But just as Richards, in harness with the admirably cool Hooper, seemed to be taking the match on to another planet, Gooch took *a sharp catch at second slip and* Richards came crashing to earth. A less aggressive captain would have removed second slip long ago, according to Mickey Stewart, the England manager. In the past, the England captain has been criticized for his lack of imagination. This summer, his conventional wisdom might just *prove the best antidote to genius.*

Richards deflates England attack

By Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent

TRENT BRIDGE: West Indies, with six first-innings wickets standing, lead England by 19 runs

A year ago, England were *bemoaning the bad weather* which cost them a genuine chance of winning the opening Test match against Pakistan. This morning, things are rather different. Mike Gatting and his players, I suspect, would not exactly be distraught if Trent Bridge was submerged by storm water.

The equivalent of an entire day's cricket has already been lost from this first Cornhill Test and England can only be grateful. But for the weather, they might even now be staring down the barrel of an eleventh consecutive defeat by West Indies; as *things* stand, they ought to escape with a draw unless their batting disintegrates over the final few sessions.

Only in the first three hours of the match, while Gooch and Broad were in such cool command, have England suggested they are no longer doffing their caps to superior beings. Since then, the West Indies have performed with much of their old strutting conviction while England's cricket has gone through a confidence crisis.

"Loose" was the word Gatting used to describe it. The interesting thing is that West Indies themselves entered this game with their confidence so shaky that survival was a *priority*. They were short of runs, short of practice, and, some considered, short of players with the quality to impose themselves on a series.

Always, however, they were comforted by the presence of Richards and Marshall, the two most formidable Test cricketers of their time. Marshall demolished England's batting: not with his *usual* allies of speed and aggression, but with skill and cricket sense. *Mickey Stewart*, the England manager, is unhappy that his team was dismissed so tamely by a swing bowler. He questions the technical merit of the batting when six out of *10* had their stumps scattered, but then Marshall did bowl extraordinarily well.

Then came Richards. He had entered at a difficult moment on Friday evening — *England with their tails up*, another quick wicket likely to tilt things their way. If he worried, it was impossible to detect it. Dilley, Jarvis and Emburey were each subjected to a calculated assault, the aims being to deflate bowlers operating in helpful conditions and to demonstrate to his younger batsmen that they *should not feel inhibited*. He appears to have succeeded on both counts although there was much to admire about the way Jarvis, raw as he is, took his punishment, gathered his thoughts and improved his control.

He temporarily silenced *Richards* and removed Haynes, for a polished 60, with a ball which flew at his glove. Richards had reserved much of his savagery for Emburey. On Friday he had taken a wicket in his opening over and indicated he might be quite a handful on this pitch. Richards dispelled the thought. Emburey's six subsequent overs have cost 60 runs; as he was also out fourth ball for nought, and dropped a slip catch, it has so far been a nightmarish match for him.

There were moments on Saturday when Richards seemed lost in his own greatness. He would swagger round the crease like a boxer round the ring, muttering to himself with head held arrogantly high. His 99th first-class century looked assured until, having perhaps done his own concentration no favours by electing to go off for bad light, he drove ambitiously at DeFreitas on the resumption and Gooch held a sharp catch at second slip.

By then the mood had been transmitted to Hooper. He has some of his captain's idiosyncrasies and more than a little of his class. He is a player blessed with the gift of time and that he suffered nothing by comparison with Richards is the ultimate compliment.

Hooper and Logie added 33 in the last five overs on Saturday; England need to *part them rapidly today.*



Up and away: Viv Richards hits a six on his way to his 80 at Trent Bridge

SCOREBOARD FROM TRENT BRIDGE

England won toss

ENGLAND

First Innings: 245 (G A Gooch 73, B C Broad 54; M D Marshall 6-69, C E L Ambrose 4-53).

WEST INDIES

First Innings

		6s	4s	Mins	Balls
C G Greenidge c Downton b Jarvis	25	–	–	107	86
D L Haynes c Downton b Jarvis	60	–	5	216	133
R B Richardson c Gatting b Emburey	17	–	1	46	40
†I V A Richards c Gooch b DeFreitas	80	1	12	135	98
C L Hooper not out	47	–	4	102	70
A L Logie not out	18	–	4	27	22
Extras (b 1, lb 6, nb 10)	17				
Total (4 wkts, 72.3 overs)	264				

†P J L Dujon, M D Marshall, C E L Ambrose, C A Walsh and B P Patterson to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-54, 2-84, 3-159, 4-231.

BOWLING: Dilley 13.3-2-47-0 (nb 4); DeFreitas 19-4-58-1 (nb 8); Jarvis 15-1-52-2; Pringle 18-8-38-0; Emburey 7-0-62-1.

Umpires: H D Bird and J Birkenshaw.

Today: 11.0-6.0, 90 overs minimum.

GOLF

First New win of European tour

By Patricia Davies

Beverley New had one main aim as she set out in the final round of the Broadway Group Wirral Classic at Caldy yesterday. It was to beat her playing partner, Cathy Panton, for, *she said*, "*If I* did that, I knew I'd win the tournament."

She achieved her aim with a round of 69, five under par, to Panton's 72 and won by three shots with a total of 283, 13 under. Anne Jones, of Australia, also shot a 69 to finish third on 287.

New's prize was £4,500 but, welcome though the money was, it was the victory that counted, her first on the European tour in her fifth year as a professional. The former English Amateur champion from Bristol did win on the tour in 1982 but she was still an amateur then and had only last year's Thailand Open and *this year's Malaysian* to her name as a paid player.

Both she and Panton, a pragmatic Scot, who is rarely spectacular but always effective, had birdies at the first to move to nine under par and New went into a lead she was never to lose with a birdie four at the fifth, a par five bordering the Dee *estuary*.

At the seventh, she had a birdie four and Panton dropped a shot after hitting her second into a tangle of grass and taking a penalty drop. That gave New a three-shot lead and although it was down to one again by the 13th, she remained composed and took a very firm grip on the *title with an eagle two there*. She drove the green, 262 yards away downwind, and sank a 45-foot putt to move two clear as Panton had a birdie three.

LEADING FINAL SCORES (GB and Ire unless stated): 283: B New, 68, 71, 75, 69. 286: C Panton, 70, 72, 72, 72. 287: A Jones (Aus), 74, 72, 72, 69. 288: L Maritz (SA), 75, 71, 74, 68; J Arnold (NZ), 71, 70, 74, 74. 291: L Mullard (Aus), 75, 70, 74, 72; J Forrest 74, 73, 69, 75. 292: L Percival, 72, 74, 73, 73. 293: C Mah-Lyford (US), 73, 74, 74, 72; M Walker, 74, 73, 73, 73. 294: A Mumt (Aus), 78, 71, 76, 69; S Van Wyk (SA), 72, 74, 76, 72. 295: K Hurley, 72, 73, 75, 75. 296: C Hall, 77, 70, 77 72; P Conley (US), 72, 75, 76, 73; M Thomson, 74, 76, 72, 74; M Burton, 70, 74, 76, 76; A Sheard (SA), 70, 71, 78, 77; M Scobling, 73, 74, 72, 77. 297: D Petrizzi (US), 75, 74, 74, 74; P Grice-Whittaker, 72, 73, 77, 75.

ROWING

Surprise victory for Smith

Jim Railton

Carl Smith, of Britain, completed one of the biggest upsets at the Nottinghamshire international regatta over the weekend by defeating Ruggiero Verroca, of Italy, in the lightweight singles sculls.

It was a most encouraging victory for Smith, who in his international career since 1981 has won one gold, one silver and three bronze medals in world lightweight championships against the six world championship gold medals collected by the talented Italian.

The women's coxed four title went to the Tideway Scullers with over a length to spare from two *British squad fours*. The London-based lightweight men's coxless four finished 0.23sec behind the Italian crew with the Nottingham-based four, twice world silver medal winners, in third place.

RESULTS: Men: Coxed fours: 1, University of London, 6mm 20.41sec; 2, Lea, 6:23.64. Lightweight sculls: 1, C Smith (GB squad), 7:07.43; 2, R Verroca (Italian squad), 7:09.88; 3, Casey (Skibbereen) 7:24.31. Double sculls: 1, Danish squad, 6:27.04; Tideway Scullers/Barclays Bank, 6:35.37; 3, Thames Tradesmen, 6:40.19. Women: Coxed fours: 1, Tideway Scullers, 7:03.82; 2, GB squad (Hodges), 7:07.11; 3, GB squad (Horne), 7:09.22. Lightweight sculls: 1, F Bentivoglio (It), 7:51.38; 2, C Wood (GB squad), 7:53.56; 3, Cumng (Bedford), 8:16.00.

Somerset at last get off the mark

By Ivo Tennant

For all the potential match-winners they have possessed down the years, Somerset have won the Sunday League but once. That kind of record was a factor in the decision by Somerset's members in 1986 to dispense with Joel Garner and Vivian Richards and to start afresh.

It is perhaps still too early to judge how right or wrong they were. Last year they did well to finish fourth in the League, sponsored by Refuge Assurance; yet this summer, until yesterday, they had not won a match.

There were, though, some weak links in the Northamptonshire batting order yesterday: no Geoff Cook, no Lamb. Larkins managed 42 yesterday; Bailey hit 78; but 211 was not a winning score. Somerset won by two wickets.

At Cardiff, Kent somehow managed to raise an attack and bowl out Glamorgan for 134. Christopher Cowdrey, just about their only seam bowler who has not been injured this season, took four for 20. Taylor *made 62* and Kent won comfortably, by five wickets.

It was a day on which a number of batsmen made half-centuries but few went on to record large scores. Having said that, Reeve of Warwickshire made 69 out of a total of 184 for nine in 40 overs. He hit three sixes in that innings. His efforts *enabled his new county* to beat Nottinghamshire by 29 runs.

There were half-centuries, too, by Barnett and Roberts for Derbyshire against Sussex as they gained vital practice for their Benson and Hedges Cup semi-final on Wednesday; at one stage Sussex were reduced to eight for three, Mortensen *dismissing Imran Khan* for a duck.

With something in reserve

By Marcus Williams

LORD'S: Middlesex (4pts) beat Worcestershire by 45 runs

Middlesex, buoyed by the performances of their reserve players, moved clear at the head of the Refuge Assurance League with a comfortable win over last season's champions, Worcestershire, yesterday.

Though lacking their three England players, Middlesex made their highest Sunday total of the season, 237 for five, with substantial contributions from Carr, Butcher and Needham, and then bowled and fielded effectively to leave their opponents trailing well in arrears until some late blows by Weston and O'Shaughnessy.

The Middlesex innings was given a solid foundation by Carr and Needham. They put on 78 in confident fashion.

Needham made the most of a rare opportunity in the first team and employed the late cut profitably before steering Newport to backward point in the *eighteenth over*. Carr, meanwhile, was progressing in his assured way, and good running with Roseberry began the acceleration. The throttle was opened still wider with the advent of Butcher, who relished his role as acting captain. He and Carr plundered 60 in seven overs before O'Shaughnessy removed Carr's middle stump as he tried to find the short leg-side boundary on the Tavern side.

Worcestershire's poor outcricket was in sharp contrast to Middlesex's razor-keen approach. A tight and hostile opening burst by Cowans and Williams pegged Worcestershire back initially, but the picture began to change when Hick *flicked Fraser effortlessly* over the square leg fence and began to look menacing. However, he had scored only 22 when Sykes, Emburey's deputy as off spinner, beat him in the flight and joyously seized upon the return catch. Thereafter Curtis could never get going, his 41 occupying 27 overs; but in a lost cause *Weston followed his economical* bowling with a flailing blade.

MIDDLESEX

J D Carr b O'Shaughnessy	69
A Needham c Radford b Newport	39
M A Roseberry c Rhodes b Newport	13
**R O Butcher b Radford*	47
†K R Brown lbw Radford	21
N R C Maclaurin not out	15
J F Sykes not out	4
Extras (b 1, lb 11, w 15, nb 2)	29
Total (5 wkts, 40 overs)	237

N F Williams, S P Hughes, A R C Fraser and N G Cowans did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-78, 2-97, 3-157, 4-203, 5-217.

BOWLING: Weston 8-0-25-0; Radford 8-0-58-2; *Pridgeon 6-0-19-0; McEwan 4-0-33-0*; Newport 8-0-46-2; Hick 3-0-26-0; O'Shaughnessy 3-0-18-1.

WORCESTERSHIRE

T S Curtis c Brown b Hughes	41
†S J Rhodes c Fraser b Cowans	10
G A Hick c and b Sykes	22
D B D'Oliveira b Hughes	12
*P A Neale run out	8
M J weston b Hughes	42
S J O'Shaughnessy run out	26
P J Newport not out	10
N V Radford b Cowans	3
S M McEwan not out 0	
Extras (b 2, lb 8, w 7, nb 1)	18
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	192

A P Pridgeon did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-51, 3-86, 4-100, 5-107, 6-163, 7-184, 8-192.

BOWLING: Cowans 8-1-28-2; Williams 8-0-37-0; Fraser 8-0-50-0; Sykes 8-0-41-1; Hughes 8-0-26-3.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and N T Plews.

Yorkshire rely on the touch of Byas

By Richard Streeton

HEADINGLEY (Yorkshire won toss): Yorkshire (4pts) bt Surrey by four wickets

Forceful hitting by the left-handed David Byas, who is *virtually unknown outside his* own county, enabled Yorkshire to inflict Surrey's first defeat yesterday in the Refuge Assurance League. Yorkshire, needing 213 for victory, won with 15 balls to spare when Byas finished the game with two successive legside sixes against Greig.

Byas, who is aged 24 and works on his father's farm near Scarborough, was playing for Yorkshire for the first time since 1986 and has only made five previous first-team appearances in four years. He took complete control of the bowling in the closing stages and showed remarkable maturity as he made an unbeaten 69. Byas hit five sixes and three fours and faced only 47 balls.

Yorkshire were given a marvellous start by Metcalfe, who in spite of the early loss of Moxon, punished the bowlers with a series of powerful drives. Metcalfe also hit five sixes as he scored 79 in 79 balls and *dominated a second-wicket* stand of 96 with Sharp.

Both men were out in the same over by Bullen. Metcalfe fell to a splendid catch by Lynch on the extra cover boundary. Stewart drove with fluency to *contribute an attractive 60* as Surrey made a promising start after they were put in to bat.

Richards shared a brisk opening stand until Carrick beat him and then Hartley took three successive wickets as he bowled his quota unchanged. Smith was bowled attempting to drive; Lynch provided Robinson with *the first of his catches*; and Stewart was held at mid-on.

Surrey were 144 for five when Greig *mis-hooked Shaw in the* thirtieth over and was caught at backward square-leg. Shaw also dismissed Ward in a steady spell but both he and a wayward Sidebottom suffered as the late order batsmen did their best to accelerate.

SURREY

†C J Richards b Carrick	18
D M Smith b Hartley	33
A J Stewart c Shaw b Hartley	60
M A Lynch c Robinson b Hartley	4
D M Ward b Shaw	22
**I A Greig c Byas b Shaw*	9
Zahid Sadiq c Robinson b Sidebottom	23
C K Bullen not out	21
M A Feltham b Fletcher	11
S T Clarke not out	0
Extras (b 6, w 1, nb 4)	11
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	212

M Bicknell did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-42, 2-88, 3-106, *4-122, 5-144, 6-160, 7-188, 8-211.*

BOWLING: Sidebottom 8-0-49-1; Shaw 8-0-35-2; Carrick 4-1-23-1; Fletcher 8-0-40-1; Moxon 4-0-20-0; Hartley 8-0-39-3.

YORKSHIRE

M D Moxon c Stewart b Bicknell	3
A A Metcalfe c Lynch b Bullen	79
K Sharp b Bullen	18
P E Robinson c Stewart b Bullen	20
D Byas not out	69
S N Hartley c Greig b Feltham	8
†R J Blakey b Clarke	2
**P Carrick not out*	4
Extras (lb 10, w 3)	13
Total (6 wkts, 37.3 overs)	216

A Sidebottom, S D Fletcher and C Shaw did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-106, 3-107, 4-154, 5-177, 6-182.

BOWLING: Bicknell 8-0-28-1; Greig 6.3-0-44-0; Feltham 8-0-60-1; *Clarke 7-0-17-1; Bullen 8-0-57-3.*

Umpires: K J Lyons and D O Oslear.

BOWLS

Selectors' faith vindicated by victory margin

The England selectors were fully vindicated at Nottingham yesterday when their "red" team, including the bulk of last year's national side, beat the "white" outsiders by 138 shots to 95 (David Rhys Jones writes).

RESULTS: Red team 138. White team 95. Red teams first: N J Richards (Cornwall), G A Smith (Kent), A E Thomson (Kent), A Abbott (Glouc), lost to S Dawes (Warwicks), N A Atkinson (Lancs), P Clarke (Lanc), E P Hamper (Buckle), 24-23; K B Morley (Notts), D T Taylor (Cumbria) D J Cutler (Devon), A J Wendsor (Surrey) bt M J Weaver (Worcs), C Simpson (Durham) A Tidby (Dorset), T W Armstrong (Lancs), 20-12; D W Kilner (Durham), M Biggs (Wilts), W Richards (Surrey), P J Brailfield (Somerset) bt C Martin (Dorset), P Pull (Hants), J Lambert (Durham), J R Hanes (Berks), 21-11; G A Smyth (Middlesex), P McCall (Somerset), D J Personson (Essex), L A Bowden (Devon) bt I R Reeves (Cumbria), N Smith (Essex), M J Richardson (Bucks), J Barrett (Warwicks), 29-17; J E Redrail (Suffolk), R W Gass (Cumbria), S E Halmai (Middlesex), D S Ward (Norfolk) bt S P Letts (Northants) D Denison (Devon), R Morgan (Hants), W J Hobart (Lincs), 21-15; D A Holt (Lancs), R Curtis (Suffolk), G P Harrington (Oxford) J N Bell (Cumbria) bt M Davies (Leics) G N Burgess (Worcs), G Little (Surrey), T T James (Northants), 24-16.

SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Warwicks v Notts

EDGBASTON (Nottinghamshire won toss): Warwickshire, with six first-innings wickets in hand, have scored 185 runs against Nottinghamshire

WARWICKSHIRE: *First Innings*

A J Moles c Scott b Cooper	5
**T A Lloyd c Newell b Cairns*	11
Asif Din b Cairns	6
A C Storie not out	56
†G W Humpage c Saxelby b Cairns	58
P A Smith not out	36
Extras (b 2, lb 5, w 3, nb 4)	14
Total (4 wkts, 51 overs)	185

D A Reeve, G C Small, T A Munton, A T Merrick and N Gifford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-25, 3-38, 4-124.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: P Pollard, M Newell, **R T Robinson*, P Johnson, D W Randall, J D Birch, C L Cairns, E E Hemmings, †C W Scott, K E Cooper and K Saxelby.

Bonus points: Warwickshire 1, Nottinghamshire 1.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and A G T Whitehead.

Yorkshire v Surrey

HARROGATE (Yorkshire won toss): Yorkshire, with three first-innings wickets in hand, have scored 103 runs against Surrey

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

M D Moxon c Smith b Bicknell	5
A A Metcalfe c Richards b Feltham	3
†R J Blakey c Medlycott b Greig	4
K Sharp lbw b Greig	2
J D Love c Ward b Greig	0
P E Robinson *not out*	41
I G Swallow c and b Medlycott	17
**P Carrick c Feltham b Medlycott*	3
A Sidebottom not out	22
Extras (lb 4, nb 2)	6
Total (7 wkts. 52 overs)	103

S D Fletcher and C Shaw to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-11, 3-15, 4-15, 5-18, 6-49, 7-56.

SURREY: G S Clinton, D M Smith, A J Stewart, M A Lynch, D M Ward, †C J Richards, **I A Greig*, K T Medlycott, M A Feltham, C S Mays and M P Bicknell.

Bonus points: Yorkshire 0, Surrey 3.

Umpires: D O Oslear and K J Lyons.

Somerset v Northants

TAUNTON (Northamptonshire won toss): Northamptonshire, with seven first-innings wickets in hand, are 87 runs behind Somerset

SOMERSET: First Innings

M A Felton c Bailey b Davis	5
J G Wyatt c Bailey b Wild	30
J J E Hardy c Ripley b Davis	12
S R Waugh c Larkins b Davis	37
R J Bartlett lbw b Wild	0
†N D Burns lbw b Capel	8
**V J Marks c Fordham b Davis*	43
G D Rose c Ripley b Capel	5
C H Dredge b Davis	37
A N Jones c Larkins b Wild	10
D J Foster not out	8
Extras (b 4, lb 14, w 1, nb 1)	20
Total (63.4 overs)	215

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-37, 3-85, 4-95, 5-95, 6-121, 7-143, 8-177, 9-201.

BOWLING: Davis 24-5-92-5; Capel 17-3-52-2; Wild 14 4-3-38-3; Walker 2-1-5-0; Cook 4-1-7-0; Williams 2-0-3-0.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

A Fordham c Waugh b Rose	4
**W Larkins c Hardy b Rose*	7
R J Bailey *not out*	59
M R Gouldstone c Burns b Waugh	16
D J Capel not out	29
Extras (b 2, lb 5 ,nb 6)	15
Total (3 wkts, 46 overs)	129

R G Williams, D J Wild, †D Ripley, N G B Cook, W W Davis and A Walker to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-16, 3-53.

Bonus points: Somerset 3 Northamptonshire 4.

Umpires: S J Meyer and P B Wight.

Lancs v Hampshire

LIVERPOOL (Hampshire won toss): Hampshire, with four first-innings wickets in hand, have scored 285 runs against Lancashire

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

V P Terry c Mendis b Hayhurst	74
C L Smith c Hughes b Simmons	24
**M C J Nicholas st Hegg b Simmons*	31
R A Smith run out	29
D R Turner b Watkinson	11
J Ayling not out	58
†R J Parks lbw b Folley	11
S T Jefferies not out	26
Extras (b 2, lb 9)	11
Total (6 wkts)	285

R J Maru, C A Connor and S J W Andrew to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-36, 2-114, 3-163, 4-167, 5-198, 6-237.

Score after 100 overs: 216-5.

LANCASHIRE: G D Mendis, A N Hayhurst, T E Jesty, N H Fairbrother, I Folley, M Watkinson, **D P Hughes*, Wasim Akram, †W K Hegg, P J W Allott and J Simmons.

Bonus points: Hampshire 2, Lancashire 2.

Umpires: J H Harris and K E Palmer.

Sussex v Derby

HORSHAM (Sussex won toss): Sussex, with three first-innings wickets in hand, have scored 247 runs against Derbyshire

SUSSEX: First Innings

R I Alikhan lbw b Warner	56
A M Green c Barnett b Malcolm	0
**P W G Parker c Barnett b Malcolm*	25
A P Wells lbw b Barnett	36
C M Wells st Maher b Barnett	18
N J Lenham c Maher b Mortensen	62
†I J Gould not out	21
S J S Kimber not out	8
Extras (b1, lb9, w2, nb 11)	23
Total (6 wkts, 97 overs)	247

A C S Pigott, A M Clarke and A M Babington to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-30, 3-84, 4-112, 5-197, 6-229.

DERBYSHIRE: P D Bowler, J G Wright, B Roberts, J E Morris, **K J Barnett*, S C Goldsmith, †S J M Maher, R Sharma, A E Warner, O H Mortensen, D E Malcolm.

Bonus points: Sussex 2, Derbyshire 2.

Umpires: A A Jones and D R Shepherd.

YESTERDAY'S REFUGE LEAGUE SCOREBOARDS

Sussex v Derby

HORSHAM (Sussex won toss): Derbyshire (4pts) beat Sussex by five runs

DERBYSHIRE

**K J Barnett c Imran b Pigott*	50
P D Bowler c Gould b Babington	9
B Roberts c Parker b Kimber	59
J E Morris b Pigott	43
S C Goldsmith c Moores b Imran	11
M A Holding b Pigott	6
A E Warner c Moores b Imran	0
†S J M Maher not out	16
R Sharma run out	5
P G Newman not out	1
Extras (lb 8, w 4, nb 1)	13
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	213

O H Mortensen did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-40, 2-88, 3-158, 4-170, *5-180, 6-181, 7-205, 8-210.*

BOWLING: Imran 8-0-33-2; Kimber 8-0-49-1; Alikhan 8-0-42-0; Babington 8-1-33-1; Pigott 8-0-49-3.

SUSSEX

A M Green c Sharma b Mortensen	2
A P Wells c Roberts b Newman	2
**P W G Parker c Goldsmith b Roberts*	80
Imran Khan c Maher b Mortensen	0
P Moores c Warner b Roberts	34
†I J Gould c and b Newman	34
S J S Kimber b Holding	15
A C S Pigott c Newman b Warner	40
N J Lenham not out	18
R I Alikhan not out 0	
Extras (lb 10, w 4, nb 1)	15
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	208

A M Babington did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-8, 3-8, 4-69, 5-76, 6-129, 7-149, 8-206.

BOWLING: Mortensen 8-1-18-2; Newman 8-1-34-2; Warner 8-1-37-1; Sharma 3-0-13-0; Holding 8-0-43-1; Roberts 5-0-53-2.

Umpires: A A Jones and D R Shepherd.

Somerset v N'hants

TAUNTON (Somerset won toss): Somerset (4pts) beat Northamptonshire by two wickets

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

R J Bailey b Palmer	78
**W Larkins c Jones b Marks*	42
D J Capel st Burns b Marks	18
R G Williams c Waugh b Rose	7
D J Wild c Dredge b Palmer	11
M R Gouldstone run out	7
W W Davis b Jones	12
A Fordham lbw b Jones	0
†D Ripley not out	9
N G B Cook c Bartlett b Palmer	4
M A Robinson run out	0
Extras (b 2, lb 14, w 3, nb 4)	23
Total (39.4 overs)	211

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-60, 2-127, 3-140, 4-170, 5-171, 6-188, 7-195, 8-196, 9-210.

BOWLING: Jones 6-0-53-2; Foster 3-0-14-0; Dredge 8-1-18-0; Marks 8-1-36-2; Rose 8-0-37-1; Palmer 6.4-0-37-3.

SOMERSET

J G Wyatt c Cook b Davis	11
J J E Hardy run out	1
R J Bartlett run out	25
S R Waugh not out	109
G D Rose b Wild	19
**V J Marks b Wild*	16
G V Palmer b Wild	0
†N D Burns c Ripley b Williams	2
C H Dredge b Williams	2
A N Jones not out	16
Extras (lb 7, w 3, nb 1)	11
Total (8 wkts, 39.4 overs)	212

D J Foster did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-28, 3-72, 4-96, 5-138, 6-139, 7-142, 8-146.

BOWLING: Davis 8-1-28-1; Capel 8-0-29-0; Robinson 5.4-0-37-0; Cook 4-0-18-0; Wild 8-0-28-3; Williams 8-0-65-2.

Umpires: B J Meyer and P B Wight.

Glamorgan v Kent

MERTHYR TYDFIL (Glamorgan won toss): Kent (4pts) beat Glamorgan by five wickets

GLAMORGAN

J A Hopkins *c Taylor b Wells*	8
**H Morris lbw b C S Cowdrey*	23
M P Maynard c C S Cowdrey b Ellison	1
R J Shastri c Marsh b Davis	2
G C Holmes c Wells b C S Cowdrey	17
A R Butcher c G R Cowdrey b C S Cowdrey	34
R C Ontong c Ellison b Pienaar	7
J G Thomas b Pienaar	2
J Derrick b C S Cowdrey	15
†C P Metson c Hinks b Ellison	2
S R Barwick not out	4
Extras (b 2, lb 6, w 10, nb 1)	19
Total (39.4 overs)	134

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-27, 3-36, 4-61, 5-61, 6-80, 7-97, 8-114, 9-122.

BOWLING: Ellison 8-1-37-2; Wells 6-0-15-1; *Davis 8-0-21-1; Pienaar 8-1-20-2*; C S Cowdrey 6.4-1-20-4; G R Cowdrey 3-0-13-0.

KENT

M R Benson b Barwick	4
N R Taylor st Metson b Shastri	62
C J Tavare b Holmes	25
S G Hinks c Morris b Derrick	1
**C S Cowdrey c Hopkins b Derrick*	14
R F Pienaar not out	11
G R Cowdrey not out	14
Extras (lb 3, w 1)	4
Total (5 wkts, 38 overs)	135

R M Ellison, †S A Marsh, V J Wells and R P Davis did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-57, 3-58, 4-86, 5-116.

BOWLING: Thomas 7-2-17-0; Barwick 8-2-10-1; Ontong 2-0-18-0; Shastri 7-0-42-1; Holmes 6-0-24-1; Derrick 8-1-21-2.

Umpires: J D Bond and D J Constant.

Warwicks v Notts

EDGBASTON (Nottingham won toss): Warwickshire (4pts) beat Nottinghamshire by 29 runs

WARWICKSHIRE

**T A Lloyd b Evans*	30
A J Moles lbw b Bore	15
Asif Din c Scott b Evans	10
P A Smith c Hemmings b Birch	32
†G W Humpage run out	0
D A Reeve c Cairns b Fraser-Darling	69
N M K Smith c Pollard b Birch	3
A T Merrick c Hemmings b Birch	4
G C Small c Bore b Fraser-Darling	4
N Gifford not out	2
T A Munton not out	0
Extras (b 1, lb 9, w 4, nb 1)	15
Total (9 wkts, 40 overs)	184

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-51, 2-57, 3-61, 4-82, 5-123, 6-134, 7-153, 8-190, 9-182.

BOWLING: Cairns 5-1-30-0; Bore 8-0-30-1; Evans 8-0-25-2; Hemmings 8-0-29-0; Fraser-Darling 8-0-34-2; Birch 3-0-26-3.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

D W Randall b Gifford	35
**R T Robinson* lbw b Munton	22
P Pollard b Gifford	17
C D Fraser-Darling c Reeve b Gifford	9
J D Birch run out	18
M Newell b Reeve	18
C L Cairns b Merrick	4
K P Evans not out	4
E E Hemmings not out	0
Extras (b 1, lb 16, w 4, nb 2)	23
Total (7 wkts, 40 overs)	155

†C W Scott and M K Bore did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-88, 3-91, 4-108, 5-140, 6-147, 7-155.

BOWLING: Merrick 8-0-30-1; Munton 8-2-10-1; Reeve 8-0-37-1; Gifford 8-1-23-3; Small 8-0-38-0.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and A G T Whitehead.

MINOR COUNTIES CUP: First round: Framlingham: Bedfordshire 132; Suffolk 135 for 3. Suffolk won by seven wickets. Shrewsbury: Shropshire 181 for 7 (T Parton 56 not out); Cheshire 182 for 4. Cheshire won by six wickets. Sunderland: Lincolnshire 170 (G Franks 67); Durham 110. Lincolnshire won by 60 runs. Thirsk: Hertfordshire 167 (M C G Wright 68, G R Black 4 for 54); Buckinghamshire 153; for 7. Hertfordshire won by four runs. Fenner's: Norfolk 87 (D Wykes 4-8); Cambridgeshire 91 for no wicket. Cambridgeshire won by 10 wickets. Oxford: Berkshire 182 for 8 (G Loveday 55); Oxfordshire 163 for 5 (G Ford 71 not out). Oxfordshire won by five wickets. Truro: Cornwall 289 for 3 (P Stephens 100, V K Menear 69, C C Lovell 51 not out); Wiltshire 224 for 8 (J Cullip 57 not out). Cornwall won by 65 runs. Sherborne School: Devon 157 for 8; Dorset 136 for 8. Dorset won by four wickets.

Glamorgan v Kent

CARDIFF (Glamorgan won toss): Glamorgan, with three first-innings wickets in hand, have scored 274 runs against Kent

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

A R Butcher c *Harman b G R Cowdrey*	52
J A Hopkins c Davis b C S Cowdrey	61
**H Morris b C S Cowdrey*	0
M P Maynard b Pienaar	1
R J Shastri st Marsh b Davis	20
G C Holmes b Harman	34
R C Ontong not out	76
J G Thomas c Marsh b Davis	14
J Derrick not out	5
Extras (b 6, lb 5, nb 1)	11
Total (7 wkts)	274

†C P Metson, S R Barwick to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-88, 2-97, 3-104, 4-139, 5-162, 6-194, 7-253.

Score after 100 overs: 197-6.

KENT: M R Benson, N R Taylor, S G Hinks, C J Tavare, R P Pienaar, **C S Cowdrey*, R M Ellison, †S A Marsh, G R Cowdrey, M D Harman, R P Dav

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FOOTBALL: ENGLAND RECHARGE THEIR BATTERIES FOR EUROPEAN TITLE RACE

Barnes's lack of inspiration cause for some concern

By Stuart Jones
Football Correspondent

Aylesbury United	0
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England have checked their sights, cleaned their barrels, and refired their spirits. The exercise, the final domestic outing before leaving for the European championship, was therefore mentally beneficial. Nor was anyone physically harmed at Buckingham Road stadium.

No one, that is, except for Hateley, Lineker, Steven and Waddle. Lineker's ailment is the least significant. For three years he has occasionally been painfully reminded of the day he stubbed a toe. The discomfort lasts for a few minutes during a game and sometimes for longer after it. But it has never yet been a cause for absenteeism.

Nor was it on Saturday afternoon. He completed the limited course with the rest of the first team, by which time England were already 4-0 ahead. But the second team, introduced after the interval, were reduced to less than a shadow squad. They were down to nine men.

Steven, after feeling "a flash of pain" near his hip, walked off only 23 minutes after he had come on. Waddle, selected from the start to sharpen his fitness, soon followed him in tweaking a muscle in the same area and involuntary taking the precautionary measure of withdrawing.

The trio were excused from yesterday's training session. So was Hateley, who suffered a slight recurrence of an Achilles tendon strain, and Adams, the only inactive member of the party during the weekend. Bobby Robson expects all of his casualties to have recovered by Wednesday, the day of departure.

None of the injuries was inflicted by Aylesbury United, hosts who could not have been more hospitable. They carried out to the letter the orders of their manager, Trevor Gould, "to make it a competitive fixture without committing rash or stupid tackles". It was, as Robson said, "a happy day".

Especially for Beardsley. He scored four goals – in the fifth, ninth, 31st and, after leaving the dug-out to fill one of the gaps left in the attack by Steven and Waddle, in the 84th minute. His third in particular was struck with the precise assurance of his prolific partner.

Lineker did claim one himself, midway through the first half. Watson and Steven were credited with the others on either side of the hour. Had England's finishing been as neat and tidy as Beardsley's, they would have ended with a collective total deep into double figures.

In "a match designed to give us some confidence in front of goal", Robson admitted that "the final ball, pass or shot was not quite what we would have wanted". No one was more guilty than Barnes, the Footballer of the Year, whose lack of inspiration is becoming increasingly worrying.

Since the two other wings "Waddle and Steven" were damaged, England did not fly as high as Aylesbury might have feared. Botterill, a right back restricting Barnes so effectively that he was voted their man of the match by Robson, and Hutter were principally responsible for protecting the pride of the Beazer Homes League champions.

They failed to embarrass the national side, although Hercules did bemuse Watson once on the turn and might later have punished Wright for a typically ill-timed challenge on the edge of the area. From the ensuing free kick, he was offered an unmistakable opportunity to break Aylesbury's duck.

No matter. Their 14 representatives will cherish the memory of an afternoon during which spectators climbed the overhanging trees, their own pleasant ground was filled with 6,000 onlookers and they themselves, performing so ably and sensitively, provided the perfect opposition in England's final test.

AYLESBURY UNITED: T Garner; R Coy, D Botterill, P Saunders (sub: P Hackett), P Hutter, C Campbell, P Thomas, D Duggan (sub: A Allanon), C Hercules, B Phillips (sub: K Walker), G Harmill.
ENGLAND: P Shilton (sub: G Woods); G Stevens (sub: V Anderson), K Sansom (sub: A Dorigo), N Webb (sub: G Hoddle), M Wright, D Watson, B Robson (sub: P Reid), P Beardsley (sub: T Steven), G Lineker (sub: M Hateley), J Barnes (sub: S McMahon), C Waddle (sub: P Beardsley).
Referee: B Hill.

TENNIS



Sterling acquisition: Monique Javer, defeated in the semi-finals (Photograph: Tim Bishop)

Graf on ever-upward curve

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Paris

For the second consecutive year Steffi Graf made tennis history in the women's singles final of the French championships. In 1987 she became the youngest women's champion. On Saturday she won about £138,000 by beating Natalia Zvereva 6-0, 6-0 in 32 minutes at a cost of only 13 points. Graf spent more time talking to the Press than she did playing Zvereva.

There was disagreement about the playing time, partly because of a rain-break. The umpire, busy with note-taking and other chores, ultimately put 34 minutes on the scoresheet. In fact, the first period of play lasted for nine minutes, the second for 23.

There was a shorter final at Wimbledon in 1922 when Suzanne Lenglen beat Molla Mallory in 26 minutes. But in those days players had no rest intervals during change-overs. In terms of playing time, Graf's win was probably a little faster. The only previous grand slam singles final, men's or women's, in which the loser failed to win a game occurred at Wimbledon in 1911, when Dorothea Lambert Chambers beat Dora Boothby.

Nobody has matched Graf's feat of conceding a total of only 20 games in seven matches. This was her fifth consecutive grand slam singles final and her third title – and she is still a week short of her nineteenth birthday.

Graf was a little lucky to reach the front rank at a time when the joint dominance of Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova was weakening. But she is beginning to assert an awesome authority and nobody can argue about her strength, her bounding fitness and the splendour of her tennis.

This was Graf's sixteenth grand slam tournament and Zvereva's fourth. The girl from Minsk, intimidated by Graf and the occasion, was reduced to lolloping, lunging helplessness and public shame. She was overawed and overpowered.

Zvereva's humiliation will be etched for ever in her memory and the record books. For the sake of her morale and her future, she must remember that in this tournament, at the age of 17 years and one month, she beat both Navratilova and Helena Sukova in straight sets.

● Martina Navratilova and Pam Shriver won their nineteenth grand slam doubles championship when they beat Claudia Kohde-Kilsch and Helena Sukova 6-2, 7-5 in the French final yesterday. It was Navratilova's fiftieth grand slam title, a total surpassed only by Margaret Court. Navratilova's tally consists of 17 singles, 28 doubles (nine with partners other than Shriver) and five mixed.

White's triumph worth less than Javer's loss

By David Powell

A Californian, but not the one the British have taken to their hearts this past week, won the women's singles championship at the Beckenham tournament yesterday. Robin White beat Ann Henricksson 6-3, 6-2 in the final after her opponent had put out Monique Javer, the Californian with a British passport, in their semi-final yesterday morning.

For Henricksson, the timing of a thigh strain could not have been more inopportune. Her 6-1, 6-4 victory over Javer, who was playing in her first tournament in Britain as a Briton, took her to within one match of her first singles championship. But the injury impaired her mobility and she was forced to give up on several points.

This year a £5,000 incentive was offered for the best British performance. Javer was the recipient but, because several British women played above themselves, the sponsors yesterday presented Sue Mappin, the national team manager, with an additional £5,000 for her squad. That meant Javer and Mappin departed with the biggest cheques: £5,000 was more than White and Christian Saceanu, of Romania, the No. 7 seed, who defeated Leif Shiras 7-5, 6-3 in yesterday's men's final, earned between them.

RESULTS: Men's singles: Semi-finals: L Shiras (US) bt A Mansdorf (Isr), 7-5, 6-3; C Saceanu (Rom) bt E Jelen (WG), 6-4, 6-4. Final: C Saceanu (Rom) bt L Shiras (US), 7-6, 6-3. Women's singles: Semi-finals: A Henricksson (US) bt M Javer (GB), 6-1, 6-4; R White (US) bt M Fernandez (US), 6-4, 6-4. Final: White bt Henricksson, 6-3, 6-2. Women's doubles: Finals: P Hy (HK) and D Van Rensburg (SA) bt G Fernandez (PR) and R White (US), 7-6, 6-7, 6-3. Mixed doubles: Finals: S Medem (WG) and M McGrath (US) bt S Barr (Aus) and W White (US), 6-2, 6-3.

NOTTINGHAM: Men's inter-county match: Nottinghamshire 6, Northumberland 1.

DONCASTER: Reebok national grand prix finals: Men: J Black bt P Ranson, 6-1, 6-4. Women: M Loughton bt J Cox, 6-1, 6-1.

Mr Nice Guy twice ticked off for dissent

By Ian Ross

Jeremy Bates's belief that he can dramatically improve his game by destroying his "Mr Nice Guy" image led him into open confrontation with officialdom during the final day of the Holiday Inn Northern tournament in Manchester on Saturday. In a rain delayed, ill-tempered semi-final the British No. 1 was twice warned for dissent before losing to Kevin Curren by 7-5, 6-2.

Having been previously reprimanded for abusing an official, Bates had a point deducted in the twelfth and final game of the first set after throwing down his racket in anger. The penalty gave Curren a 40-30 advantage and the South African-born naturalized American went on to win the set by delivering an ace with his next service. Thereafter his game disintegrated.

YACHTING

Bullimore leads the fleet on its journey

By Barry Pickthall

It was a case of so far so good yesterday as 94 intrepid sailors, led by Tony Bullimore, of Britain set out from Plymouth at the start of the 3,000-mile Carlsberg single-handed transatlantic race bound for Newport, Rhode Island.

The eight to 10-knot south-westerly breeze and flat seas provided a gentle introduction to the hazards these sailors will undoubtedly face later into the race, and for once there were no casualties as the assorted fleet of multihulls and monohulls headed out towards the Eddystone Rock.

The 60 monohulls were shown a clean wake initially by John Martin's South African 60-footer, Allied Bank. Close astern came Nigel Burgess in Dogwatch A, followed by Wijtze van der Zee's radical Dutch entry, New Magic Breeze, and Alice's Mirror, sailed by Jeremy Heal.

The first of this group to round the Eddystone, however, was Titouan Lamazou's former French BOC entry, Ecureuil d'Aquitaine, which passed the lighthouse in company with Richard Tolkien's 55ft trimaran, Williams Lea.

Two miles further ahead, the New Zealander, Phil Steggall, was sailing the British designed 60ft trimaran, Sebago into a clear lead inshore, while Bullimore, aboard the more powerful Spirit of Apricot led Mike Birch, of Canada and Olivier Moussy of France further offshore.

Faultless display for judges

By Malcolm McKeag

Sara-Louise Hay, aged 30, a financial services manager from Bushey Heath, Hertfordshire, already runs the foredeck on the Class 1 Red Dragon. Her cool experience – eight demanding exercises without a mistake – impressed the judges sufficiently in this weekend's Times/James Capel-sponsored Crewsearch qualifier to become the first woman selected for the finals to be sailed in October.

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Hay will be joined at the mast in the East Coast crew by Vincent Geake, aged 23, a former public schools' dinghy champion, and the spinnakers she sets and gybes will be trimmed by Kevin Butler, aged 31, a yacht fitter from Canewdon, Essex.

Andrew Chidwick in cockpit and Peter Binning, a teacher and a barrister, will complete the crew along with Christopher Starr, aged 24, a computer operator from Kingston, Surrey, who was the weekend's top tactician. 60 hopefuls were put through their paces in trials run from the Royal Burnham Yacht Club's base on the River Crouch.

Penny Oswald, of the well-known East Coast sailing family, turned in one of the best female crewing performances in the demanding role of sail trimmer.

Dutch fans battle with police

Amsterdam (Reuter) – A last-minute rush to buy tickets for the European championship finals starting in West Germany this week ended with thousands of Dutch supporters fighting a pitched battle among one another and the police on Saturday.

"There were only 2,000 tickets left, but thousands of people suddenly turned up to buy them. Fighting broke out and we were called in," a police spokesman told Reuters from the headquarters of the Dutch football association (KNVB) in Zeist.

He said police reserves had been drafted in from all over the region. There had been some casualties, but he could not say how many or how badly they were hurt.

The finals start on Friday with a match between West Germany and Italy in Dusseldorf. The Netherlands' first game is against the Soviet Union in Cologne on June 12.

The Netherlands' match against England in Dusseldorf on June 15 is regarded by police as the main security risk.

Italy surprised by Rush in warm-up

Italy	0
Wales	1

Brescia (Reuter) – Ian Rush led Wales to a surprise victory over Italy here on Saturday in the Italians' last warm-up game for the European championship finals. Wales, who failed to qualify for the European finals, played a tight defensive game and frustrated the home side.

Wales were pinned on the defensive for much of the first half until a throw-in was won in the Italian half by Van Den Hauwe in the 37th minute. Rush, showing more determination than he displayed during his first season for his Italian club, Juventus, collected the ball and turned from a seemingly impossible tight position behind Bergomi to send the ball into the net beyond the reach of Zenga.

It was Italy's first international defeat for more than six months and came ahead of a tough opening match against hosts West Germany in the championship on Friday.

Time and again Italy failed to finish, hitting the post or going wide, while efficient goalkeeping by Norman frustrated their better efforts. Altobelli and De Agostini came on in the second half, in place of Vialli and Maldini, to try to inject enthusiasm into the dispirited Italians.

But Wales were now the more inspired side and Rush, linking well with Hughes, almost scored again in the 48th and 55th minutes.

Italy failed to find the winning touch despite two corners in the last five minutes and the match ended with a show of bad temper when Zenga lashed out with his fists at Blackmore after a tussle off the ball.

ITALY: W Zenga (Internazionale); G Bergossi (Internazionale), P Maldini (AC Milan; sub: L De Agostini, Juventus), F Barresi (AC Milan), R Ferri (Internazionale), C Ancelotti (AC Milan), R Donadoni (AC Milan; sub: R Rizzitelli, Cesena), F De Napoli (Napoli), G Vialli (Sampdoria; sub: A Altobelli, Juventus), G Giannini (Roma), R Mancini (Sampdoria).
WALES: A Norman (Hull City); G Hall (Chelsea), C Blackmore (Manchester United), D Williams (Norwich City; sub: D Saunders, Oxford United), M Aizlewood (Leeds United), P Van Den Hauwe (Everton), N Slatter (Oxford United), B Horne (Portsmouth; sub: G Hodges, Watford), I Rush (Juventus), M Hughes (Bayern Munich), A Davies (Swansea).

Changes in offside law are vetoed

The International Football Board has decided not to change the offside law. The Board, made up of representatives from the world governing body, FIFA, and the four home associations, heard at its annual meeting in London on Saturday a report from the Football Association on an experiment carried out in the GM Vauxhall Conference.

Under the one-year experiment, no offsides were given from free kicks. But Ken Ridden, an FA spokesman, said: "We were looking to see if the experiment produced more goals and more goalmouth incidents but there was not sufficient evidence that a permanent change in the law should be recommended."

The Board also rejected a request from the Welsh FA to rule out offside from any ball played by a team colleague from within his own half of the field.

● Hibernian have made a £200,000 offer for the Huddersfield Town forward, Duncan Shearer. Meanwhile, Huddersfield expect to announce a new manager next week in succession to Malcolm Macdonald. The favourites for the position are the caretaker manager, Eoin Hand, the Bradford City assistant manager, Stan Ternent, and the Torquay United manager, Cyril Knowles.

● Monaco, the French champions, have joined the chase for the Newcastle United midfield player, Paul Gascoigne, and are expected to watch him in this week's under-21 tournament at Toulon.

● Eddie Niedzwiecki, the Chelsea goalkeeper, has been forced to retire following five knee operations during the past two seasons. Kevin McAllister is set to join St Mirren for a fee of £150,000.

● Bonni Ginsberg, the Israeli international goalkeeper, is joining the Queen's Park Rangers squad to visit Korea for an international tournament this month.

Hearts criticized over Bannon issue

By a Special Correspondent

Jim McLean, the Dundee United manager, has bitterly criticized the Heart of Midlothian manager, Wallace Mercer, over the Eammon Bannon affair. In so doing he has also called for a clean-up move by the Scottish League concerning illegal approaches to contracted players.

The move came following a week in which the long-serving Bannon turned down a lucrative offer to remain with United after his present contract expires at the end of this month. United claim that a Scottish League letter dated January 22 warned every club in the country as to the threat of player-tapping via the media. Any infringement could even result in the League refusing to register the player concerned. That cautionary note followed the welter of publicity at the time concerning Rangers' interest in Ian Ferguson, of St Mirren.

Consequently, much of the basis of Dundee United's formal complaint to the league over the Bannon case will doubtless be based on a Wallace Mercer statement in the Press nine days ago. He was reported as saying: "We are most keen to bring Eammon Bannon back to Tynecastle and we will either do business with Dundee United or at a tribunal in order to get him. We think his rightful place is with us in Edinburgh."

But Jim McLean was adamant last night: "Wallace Mercer has blatantly ignored the League's reminder of their rules. Was this letter from the ruling body a threat . . . or nothing else? If this sort of thing is to be allowed to continue unhindered then football for provincial clubs is finished. What chance have such clubs got of hanging on to their better players if the big clubs make known their interest in them?

"If a club is genuinely interested in a player then the correct way to do business is through approach then negotiation. If that fails then and only then should the tribunal come into play. Following our board decision on Friday past that Bannon, Iain Ferguson and Gordon McLeod are now open to offers, Hearts and any other interested parties are entitled now to make their approaches, but only now!"

POLO

Glue wins cup for Broncos

By John Watson

More than 10,000 spectators saw the Queen hand over her Polo Cup to the Marquess of Milford Haven, whose team, NCP Broncos, defeated Tramontana by 10-9 in extra time at Windsor Great Park yesterday.

Marked by long, accurate passing, striking at great speed and spectacular stickwork, this may have been the most brilliant final ever witnessed at Smith's Lawn. Tramontana, put together by their back and No. 1, Jamison and Embiricos, and power-based on the Mexican duo, Gracida – the only man playing in Britain off the ultimate 10 handicap – and Aguilar, just had the edge up to half-time, when the score was 5-3.

Led by the eight-goal Chilean, Donoso, Broncos gathered strength. Glue was always quick to restrain the Tramontana attacks; Forsyth, of New Zealand, was in impressive empathy with Donoso, who rode with such vigour that he could rarely be stopped.

Donoso's sixth goal put Broncos ahead for the first time at 7-6 in the fifth chukka. After that it was level pegging until the bell clanged to end the sixth, when the score was 9-9.

In the seventh the ball flew from goalmouth to goalmouth until Glue slammed home the decider from a 60-yard penalty shot from Donoso's stick. Pundits were saying that Gracida's handicap should be the impossible 11. By the same token, Donoso is worth a nine and Milford Haven a three.

Milford Haven's Argentinian grey gelding, Kinta, which Donoso rode in the second chukka, won the prize for the best pony in the match.

NCP BRONCOS: 1, Lord Milford Haven (2); 2, C Forsyth (7); 3, G Donoso (6); back, M Glue (5).
Embiricos (3); 2, V

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

DERBY: HFC UK championships: Men: 100m: 1, J Regis (Belgrave), 10.65sec; 2, J Henderson (Edinburgh Southern), 10.67; 3, C Jackson (Cardiff), 10.88. 200m: 1, L Christie (Thames Valley), 20.75; 2, D Reid (Shaftesbury Barnet), 21.08; 3, A Carroll (Loughborough), 21.10. 400m: 1, S Whittle (Haringey), 46.08; 2, P Sanders (Team Solent), 46.85; 3, M Morris (Windsor, Slough and Eton), 48.98. 800m: 1, P Herbert (Shaftesbury Barnet), 1min 45.64sec; 2, S Crabb (Borough of Enfield), 1:45.81; 3, S Heard (Wolverhampton and Bilston), 1:46.86. 1,500m: 1, R McDonnell (Haringey), 3:48.02; 2, M Kirk (Ballymena and Antrim), 3:48.58; 3, G Baker (GEC Arlonica), 3:49.53. 5,000m: 1, J Harris (Portsmouth), 13:50.83; 2, J Barton (Blackheath), 13:52.45; 3, A Bristow (Brighton and Hove), 13:52.96. 10,000m: 1, D Lewis (Rossendale), 28:08.44; 2, M Dalloway (Stourport), 28:09.39; 3, G Staines (Basingstoke), 28:12.83. 3,000m steeplechase: 1, N Sweet (Sutton-in-Ashfield), 8:37.37; 2, P McColgan (Dundee Hawkhill), 8:37.52; 3, D Baptiste (Thames Valley), 8:39.77. 110m hurdles: 1, A Jarrat (Haringey), 13.97sec; 2, J Ridgeon (Haringey), 14.30; 3, H Teape (Borough of Enfield), 14.31. 400m hurdles: 1, P Harries (Derby and County), 50.01 (Welsh record); 2, M Briggs (City of Stoke), 50.65; 3, T Burton (Leeds City), 51.13. 10km walk: 1, I McCombie (Cambridge Harriers), 40min 39.77sec (UK and UK all-comers's record); 2, A Drake (Coventry), 41:18.64; 3, D Stone (Steyning), 42:28.78. High jump: 1, G Parodini (London), 2.25m; 2, D Grant (Haringey), 2.20; 3, H Pierre (Haringey), 2.15. Pole vault: 1, A Ashurst (Sale), 5.10m; 2, M Johnson (Haringey), 5.00; equal 3, M Edwards (Aldershot, Farnham and District) and K Stock (Haringey), 4.80. Long jump: 1, D Brown (Haringey), 7.91m (wind assisted); 2, M Forsyth (Royal Ulster Constabulary), 7.83 (wind assisted); 3, P Johnson (Longwood), 7.82 (wind assisted). Triple jump: 1, R Cameron (Thames Valley), 16.20m; 2, F Abelide (Belgrave), 15.86; 3, W Green (Longwood), 15.86. Shot: 1, G Savory (Blackheath), 17.95m; 2, P Edwards (Walton), 17.13; 3, C Jennings (Hull Sparta), 17.12. Discus: 1, P Hardie (Wolverhampton and Bilston), 59.42m; 2, P Gordon (Wolverhampton and Bilston), 56.32; 3, G Hannigton (Birchfield), 53.32. Hammer: 1, D Smith (Hull Spartan), 70.86m; 2, P Head (Newham and Essex Beagles), 67.40; 3, M Jones (West London Hammer School), 66.80. Javelin: 1, S Barclay (Cambridge Harriers), 79.50m (world junior record); 2, M Roberson (Haringey), 75.04; 3, G Jenson (Southend), 74.70.
Women: 100 metres: 1, P Dunn (Stretford), 11 49sec; 2, M Berkeley (Croydon), 11.78; 3, S Short (Torfaen), 11.82. 200m: 1, Dunn, 23.46; 2, S Jacobs (Reading), 23.81; 3, L Stuart (Middlesbrough and Cleveland), 23.83. 400m: 1, L Keough (Basingstoke), 52.25; 2, A Pagdard (Gateshead), 53.85; 3, H Burkart (Croydon), 54.21. 800m: 1, C Cahill (Gateshead), 2min 02.71sec; 2, K Wade (Blaydon), 2:02.84; 3, D Gandy (Borough of Hounslow), 2:03.69. 1,500m: 1, B Nicholson (Sale), 4:15.13; 2, S Bailey (Bromley), 4:16.23; 3, K Hutcheson (Derry Hill Mansfield), 4:17.04. 3,000m: 1, M Watson (Swindon), 9:04.85; 2, J Hunter (Blaydon), 9:05.13; 3, N Morris (Essex Ladies), 9:05.86. 5,000m: 1, E McColgan (Dundee Hawkhill), 15:10.17; 2, A Teddy (Cardiff), 15:17.89; 3, J Shields (Sheffield), 15:32.34. 100m hurdles: 1, L Grant (Haltonshire), 13.71sec; 2, D Baker (Derby Ladies), 13.83; 3, K Morley (Cardiff), 13.83. 400m hurdles: 1, E McLaughlin (Edinburgh Woollen Mill Southern), 56.22 (N Irish record); 2, S Lashow (Borough of Hounslow), 57.86; 3, J Pearson (Ashford), 57.93. Stee walk: 1, B Sworowski (Sheffield), 24:03.38; 2, J Drake (Brighton and Hove), 24:17.86; 3, N Jackson (Trowbridge), 24:19.41. High jump: 1, D Davies (Leicester), 1.83m; 2, K Roberts (Brighton and Hove), 1.80; 3, C Buckenfield (Birchfield), 1.80. Long jump: 1, Barkley, Crispin, Tamaide; Rob White. Stee: Mc Namara. Flying Dutchman: A Batzill (WG) Rallymobile G Gaudy Wagner 470: C Foster (Hatemshire), 18.14; 3, M Lynas (Croydon), 15.67. Discus: 1, V Head (Cardiff), 53.68m; 2, K Pugh (Birchfield), 53.08; 3, J McKiernan (Lisburn), 51.50. Javelin: 1, F Westbrad (Thurrock), 70.10m; 2, S Gibson (Notts), 59.90; 3, A Liverton (Exeter) 53.08.
EUGENE: United States National Collegiate AA championships (US unless stated): Men: 100m: 1, J DeLoach, 10.03sec; 2, R Stewart (Jam), 10.10; 3, D Mitchell, 10.12. 200m: 1, L Daniel 19.87; 2, A Mahorn (Can), 20.20 (Canadian record); 3, H Thomas, 20.25. 400m hurdles: J Purvis, 13.58sec. 400m hurdles: K Young, 47.85. High jump: T Smith, 2.33m. Triple jump: E Florea (Cam), 17.19m (wind assisted). Shot: M Stulce, 18.99m. Javelin: K Pearson (Den), 81.58m. Decathlon: C Olander (Swe), 8,021pts. Women: 100m: G Devers, 10.86sec (wind assisted). 200m: M Onyali (Nigeria), 22.70. 400m: R Stevens, 51.23. 100m hurdles: L. Tolbert, 12.82sec; 2, L Martin, 12.95; 3, G Devers, 12.90. 400 hurdles: 1, S Williams, 55.53; 2, L Wilson, 55.62.
JENA (East Germany): Dynamic meeting (selected winners, East German unless stated): 100m: F Emmelmann, 10.43sec. 400m: T Schroeder, 48.03. 1,500m: Jan Hlavsa (Cz), 3:34.94. 3,000m: Dave Clarke (US), 7:44.31. 400m hurdles: G Wessig, 2.27m. Triple jump: G Valyukevich (USSR), 17.44m. Shot: U Beyer, 21.75m. Discus: J Schult, 67.48m. Hammer: R Haber, 82.22m. Javelin: G Weiss, 83.30m. Women: 100m: M Gohr, 11 12sec. 400m: P Muller, 49.36. 800m: G Wartenberg, 1min 57.09sec. 1,500m: H Dahma, 4:05.52. 3,000m: A Hahmann 8:50.94. 100m hurdles: G Seibert, 12.70sec. 400m hurdles: C Ullrich, 54.81. High jump: S Beyer, 1.94m. Long jump: H Drescher, 7.18m. Shot: I Miller, 20.78. Discus: G Reinsch, 71.64m. Javelin: P Felke, 78.14m.
RENNES (France): International meeting: Men: Pole vault: A Farev (Bul), 5.50m. Women: 100m: M Osey (Jam), 11.28sec. 100m hurdles: equal 1: G Zagorcheva (Bul) and Y Donkova (Bul), 12.48. High jump: S Kostadinova (Bul), 1.97m.
ALDERSHOT: Army championship: 10,000m: J Wright (Belgrave), 29m 43.29sec.
NEW YORK: Hogan Mini Marathon (women's 10km): 1, I Kristiansen (Nor), 31min 31sec; 2, L Martin (Aus), 32:04; 3, F Smith (US), 32:10; 4, M Slaney (US), 32:18.
STOCKHOLM MARATHON: S Nyambui (Tan), 2hr 14min 26sec. British placing: 8, I Sills, 2:18:38. Women: G Weitz (Nor), 2:28:24.
GATESHEAD: Northern 10-mile road race championship: P Quinn (Harrow and Hatchburn), 50min 22sec. Team: Harrow and Hatchburn, 52pts. Veterans: H Matthews (Elswick), 51min 59sec. Women: L Harding (Hougnton), 58:45.

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: American League: Milwaukee Brewers 8, California Angels 2; Texas Rangers 9, Chicago White Sox 3; Oakland Athletics 8, Minnesota Twins 5; New York Yankees 4, Baltimore Orioles 0; Cleveland Indians 6, Detroit Tigers 3; Kansas City Royals 3, Seattle Mariners 1; Toronto Blue Jays 6, Boston Red Sox 3. National League: Los Angeles Dodgers 13, Cincinnati Reds 5; Houston Astros 8, San Francisco Giants 4; San Diego Padres 7, Atlanta Braves 5; Chicago Cubs 5, New York Mets 0; St Louis Cardinals 5, Philadelphia Phillies 4; Pittsburgh Pirates 2, Montreal Expos 1.

RUGBY LEAGUE

TOUR MATCH: Tamworth, Australia: New South Wales Northern Division 36, Great Britain 12.

YACHTING

WEYMOUTH: Olympic week (GB and Ire unless stated): Men: 470s: K Sorrell Finn, L Crispin, Tornado: Rob White, Stee: Mc Namara. Flying Dutchman: A Batzill (WG) Rallymobile G Gaudy Wagner 470: C Foster

BASKETBALL

UNITED STATES: National Association (NBA): Play-offs: Eastern Conference finals: Detroit Pistons 95, Boston Celtics 90 (Pistons win series 4-3). Western Conference finals: Los Angeles Lakers 117, Dallas Mavericks 102 (Los Angeles win series 4-3). Championship series begins tomorrow.
PIRAEUS (Greece): Acropolis cup (round-robin tournament): Greece 89, Duke University, North Carolina 88; Yugoslavia 83, Italy 82.

BOWLS

NATWEST BANK COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Middleton cup: Group 1A: Northumberland 119, Lancashire 102; Cumbria 132, Yorkshire 92. Group 1B: Derbyshire 101, Nottinghamshire 142; Lincolnshire 119, Durham 113. Group 2A: Cambridgeshire 128, Huntingdonshire 122; Warwickshire 85, Leicestershire 134. Group 2B: Hertfordshire 103, Hampshire 134; Isle of Wight 89, Sussex 117, Surrey 126. Group 3B: Berkshire 123, Oxfordshire 123, Middlesex 113, Kent 110. Group 4A: Cornwall 99, Worcestershire 132; Wiltshire 105, Gloucestershire 112. Group 4B: Devonshire 120, Somerset 120, Herefordshire 110, Dorset 123, Alsop cup: Cumbria 123, Yorkshire 122. Armstrong cup: Durham 123, Northumberland 109.

CYCLING

GIRO D'ITALIA: Fourteenth stage (Chiesa Valmalenco to Bormio, 75 miles): 1, E Breukink (Neth), 3hr 53min 12sec; 2, A Hampsten (US), at 7sec; 3, S Tomaselli (It), at 4min 38sec; 4, F Giupponi (It), at 4:54; 5, M Giovannetti (It), at 5:07; 6, U Zimmermann (Switz), at 5:11; 7, D Chiocciol (It), at 5:04; 8, P Delgado (Sp), at 7:08. Positions after 14 stages: 1, Hampsten, 68hr 26min 07sec; 2, Breukink, at 15sec; 3, F Chiocciol (It), at 3min 54sec; 4, Zimmermann, at 4:25; 5, Giupponi, at 4:55; 6, M Giovannetti (It), at 6:55.
GRENOBLE: Criterium du Dauphine Libere: Sixth stage (Chambery to Le Footanil, 120 miles): 1, N Eggimann (Switz), 6hr 09min 26sec; 2, L Alberto Herrera (Col), 5:10:05; 3, E Van Hooydonck (Bel), 5:10:23; 4, J-C Leclercq (Fr), 5:11:20; 5, A Da Silva (Por), same time; 6, L Leblanc (Fr), same time. Positions after six stages: 1, Da Silva, 25:57:41; 2, C Mottet (Fr), at 23sec; 3, Ruthmann, at 32sec.
TIME TRIALS: National championship (South DC, Andover, 25 miles): 1, J Pritchard (Polytechnic), 52min 43sec; 2, M Pyne (Polytechnic), 54:18; 3, M Bradshaw (GS Metrist), 54:22. Team: Polytechnic, 2hr 43min 27sec. Monmouthshire (50 miles): D Rogers (Abertillery), 57min 35sec. Team: Warwickshire, 3hr 04min 06sec. Norland combine (25 miles): D Morton (Ickwell), 1:58:52. Vegetarian CAC (50 miles): J Woodburn (Manchester), 1:56:30. Team: Manchester, 5:5:39. Ferryhill (50 miles): J McNamara (Rockingham), 1:55:57. Team: Border Bay, 6:09:01. Peterborough CC (25 miles): D Dungworth (Mapperley), 54min 45sec. Team: Peterborough, 2hr 58min 45sec. West Pennine RC (25 miles): F Sweetman (Preston), 55min 44sec. Team: Preston, 2hr 52min 26sec.
ROAD RACE: English schools International association: 1 M Armstrong (England South), 147pts, 2, G Saxton (England North), 140; 3, M Jackson (England East), 134. Team: England Midland, 417.

DIVING

SEOUL: Pre-Olympic meeting: Men: Springboard: 1, G Louganis (US), 686.68pts; 2, Tan Langdo (China), 625.44; 3, K Ferguson (US), 598.26. Women: Springboard: 1, Li Qing (China), 516.90; 2, Gao Min (China), 512.31; 3, K McCormick (US), 503.01

BADMINTON

KUALA LUMPUR: Thomas cup (world team championship): Final: China 4 Malaysia 1

BOXING

OSAKA (Japan): World Boxing Council strawweight championship (12 rds): Hiroki Ioka (Japan, holder) drew with Napa Kazwanchai (Thai) and retains his title.
BERLIN: International Boxing Federation super-welterweight championship (15 rds): Graziano Rocchigiani (WG, holder) bt Nicky Walker (US), pts.
VILLABATE (Sicily): European junior light-welterweight championship (12 rds): Piero Morello (It, holder) bt Raymond Armand (Fr), pts.
CAGLIARI (Sardinia): European welterweight championship (12 rds): Mauro Martelli (It, holder) bt Efisio Gallol (It), pts.
JOHANNESBURG: Non-title bout: Junior-lightweight (10 rds): Brian Mitchell (SA) bt Danilo Cabrera (Dom Rep), pts.

EQUESTRIANISM

HICKSTEAD: Everest nations cup meeting: Everest Olympic grand prix: 1, Olympic Sunrise (R Ehrens Nem), clear in 40.48sec. 2 Landlord (L Beerbaum WG), clear in 41 38. 3 Next Million (J Whitaker GB) clear in 42.04.
BRAMHAM: International three-day event: Dressage: 1, K Hume and S Pointer (Yamaha), 1:04.15.4; 3, L Burton and P Cushnenan (Yamaha), 1:04.21.4. Fastest lap: Boddice and Birks, 21min 07.8sec (107.15 mph).

ROWING

NOTTINGHAM: International regatta: Men: Single sculls: Race A: A Le Fleur (Notts County), 7min 12.77sec. Race B: J Tramm (Den), 7:12.98. Lightweight sculls: C Smith (GB squad). Doubles sculls: Race A: Rob Roy, 6:42.10. Race B: Danish squad, 6:26.21. Lightweight double sculls: Italian squad, 7:16.79. Coxless pairs: Molesey 6:57.01 Lightweight coxless pairs: GB squad, 6:51.72. Coxless fours: Race A: Nepean (Ire), 6:22.21. Race B: Notts County, 6:50 13. Lightweight fours: GB squad (London), 6:26.94. Coxed fours: Lea, 6:28.98. Eights: Tideway Scullers/Tyrian, 6:06.97. Women: Single sculls: A Grimeditch (Northwich), 8:08.25. Lightweight sculls: F Bentivoglio (Italian squad), 7:48.25. Double sculls: GB squad, 7:58.41. Lightweight double sculls: Marlow, 8:17.10. Coxless pairs: Commercial (Ire), 7:54.46. Lightweight fours: GB squad (Fleet), 6:59.54. Coxed fours: GB squad (Thomas), 6:49.09. Eights: GB squad, 6:51.40.

RUGBY UNION

TOUR MATCHES: Buenos Aires: San Isidro 16, France 29. New Plymouth, New Zealand: Taranaki 13, Wales 13. Wellington: New Zealand Combined Services 19, British Combined Services 19.

SQUASH RACKETS

DUNLOP CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS: Regional second rounds: Men: Scotland: D Rutherford bt W Reid, 9-1, 9-4, 9-4; C Yarrow bt A Whitelaw, 9-0, 9-5, 9-0; G Thomason bt C Wark, 10-8, 9-3, 10-8; G Chesson bt W Boswell, 9-5, 9-2, 4-8, 9-2. Midlands: J Walker bt D Jackson, 9-0, 9-2, 9-6; R Herrod bt T Hammett, 9-4, 7-9, 9-3, 9-4. Southern home counties: A Abou Taleb bt M Parker, 9-1, 9-7, 9-2; S Farrar bt P Yarrow, 10-8, 6-9, 9-6, 9-1. Northern home counties: J Duckworth bt C Vine, 9-2, 9-6, 10-8; D Kidd bt R Bramble, 9-3, 10-9, 9-3; P Gunter bt M Whea, 9-4, 9-1, 9-3; J Foster bt D Bass, 9-2, 9-3, 9-4. Women: Scotland: A Brotherston bt E Coppola, 9-2, 9-0, 9-1; I Davies bt W McCandie, 9-6, 9-3, 9-3. Midlands: B Dryhurst bt H Benn, 9-3, 9-0, 9-2; L Sturgess bt S Young, 9-0, 9-0, 9-6. Southern home counties: S Downhill bt M Mays, 9-5, 10-8, 9-3; C Baker bt A Mohsin, 9-4, 9-5, 9-5. Northern home counties: R Macree bt J Graham, 9-4, 9-0, 9-0; S Lawrence bt C Rodrigues, 9-4, 9-1, 8-4.

SPEEDWAY

SANDNES (Norway): World championship: Scandinavian final: 1, H Nielsen (Den), 15pts; 2, E Gundersen (Den), 13; 3, J Pedersen (Den), 12.
BRITISH LEAGUE: Bradford 46, Wolverhampton 43.
INTER-LEAGUE HANDICAP CHALLENGE MATCH: King's Lynn 57, Hackney 51.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Four-team tournament: First legs: Berwick: Glasgow 28, Edinburgh 25, Berwick 23, Middlesbrough 20. Stoke: Stoke 34, Peterborough 25, Milton Keynes 19,

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Backley winner leads the world

By Peter Nichols

Upstaging Fatima Whitbread is not easy, but at the HFC UK athletics championships at Derby yesterday, the world champion was happy to concede centre stage. It was another javelin thrower who took her place. A juvenile lead: Steven Backley, aged 19. As javelin series go, you could not get much tighter. All six throws surpassed 76 metres, and the pinnacle, 79.80 metres, was a world junior record.

Backley, as the reigning European junior champion, has already had a share of the spotlight. But this performance not only confirmed him as favourite for the world junior championships in Sudbury, Canada, next month, but has also given him half an eye to Seoul. "I wouldn't say the Olympics is a definite aim yet," Backley said, "I think I need another two metres." But at 6ft 4½in and beautifully built, he is a natural for the event.

If Backley was ebullient, Whitbread was reflective. During the winter her training has been hampered by continuing hand and shoulder injuries. She summed up an erratic series — 70.10 metres was her best — with a phrase everybody will be using for a while yet. "Seoul," she said, "is a long way away."

Linford Christie's winter weathering has been more harmonious. Two weeks ago he recorded a 10.2sec 100 metres in sun-baked Barbados, and in rather less-sweltering Derby, he was as majestic as ever with an easy 200 metres victory in 20.75sec.

Elsewhere, the quality of performances for a UK championships was exceptionally high. Dave Lewis from Rossendale, won a fine 10,000 metres in an Olympic qualifing time of 28min 08.44sec, Liz McColgan ran a fast 5,000 metres, 15min 10.17sec, and Elaine McLaughlin just missed the UK record in the 400 metres hurdles, running 56.22sec.

Probably the best track performance of the second day, however, came from Paul Herbert in the 800 metres. He showed how appallingly complicated Olympic selection in that event is liable to become, running a fine personal best of 1min 45.64sec. Coe, Elliott *et al* may pause for thought.

Britain lift gold to give Olympic warning

From Sydney Friskin
Ipoh, Malaysia

Great Britain 4
South Korea 0

Richard Dodds, the Great Britain hockey captain, yesterday raised aloft the Sultan Azlan Shah Cup only five days after it had seemed beyond their grasp. It was Britain's first gold-medal performance in an international competition, and it was a timely reminder of their form little more than three months before the Olympic Games.

By defeating South Korea so comprehensively in the final of this six-nation invitation tournament, Britain had justified their No. 2 seeding for the Olympics. Four of the other five teams here — Malaysia are the exception — will be in Seoul, and South Korea are in Britain's pool.

Roger Self, the Great Britain team manager, tempered his success with modesty: "South Korea had a long, hard match against Pakistan and were a tired lot. We were clinical enough to take advantage of this but South Korea are a good side and I shall not underestimate them the next time we meet."

Britain's chances here had looked grim when they followed their 1-0 win over Malaysia with a 4-0 defeat by Pakistan last Tuesday; but, having reached the semi-finals because of Pakistan's win over Malaysia, they beat the Soviet Union 3-1.

Self's reference was to the semi-final on Saturday, when South Korea and Pakistan fought a tough and unrelenting battle which went into extra time. After a 1-1 draw, the Koreans qualified for the final by winning the penalty-stroke barrage 5-3.

Barber and Kerly split the day's spoils and finished on top of the scorers' list with Shahbaz Ahmed, of Pakistan, each with four goals. But the combined effort rather than the individual mattered most to Britain, and victory was made memorable for its dignity and authority.

In the first flush of enthusiasm, the Korean outside left, Yon-Seong Jin, put a rising shot into the body of Taylor, who fell in a heap and had to be given attention. On top of that, he conceded the first short corner.

The mutterings of foreboding on the British bench had hardly died down when Kerly scored in the sixth minute. The left flank began to work hard with first Sherwani and then Grimley doing the groundwork. A square pass into the circle was quickly picked up by Kerly and the ball struck the back board with a tremendous whack.

By the end of the first half, Britain's record of set pieces read: three short corners, two conversions. The first of these awards ended with a crashing shot by Barber after the goalkeeper had saved from Kerly. That was in the thirteenth minute; in the 29th, Barber's shot rose vertically off the goalkeeper's pads and Kerly scored on the half-volley.

In the second half, the Koreans' first threat was an attack by Her-Sang Young, who did not have the support he needed. Soon there was a short corner for the Koreans, who went about it a little more sensibly until Taylor prevented Chung-Kye Seok from scoring.

All Britain had to do was to keep their composure and the Koreans eventually gave up the chase. With 10 minutes to go, Barber converted Britain's fifth and last short corner.

GREAT BRITAIN: I Taylor; S Hazlitt, P Barber, R Garcia, R Dodds (capt), M Grimley, K Bhaura, R Leman, S Kerly, R Clift (sub: R Hill), I Sherwani.

SOUTH KOREA: Song-Seok Chan; Kim-Young Jun, Chung-Bu Jin (sub: Lee-Heung Po), Chung-Kye Seok, Park-Jae Sik, Mo-Ji Young, Kim-Jae Chun, Kim-Jong Kab (sub: Her-Sang Young), Han-Jin Soo, Kim-Man Hea (capt), Jou-Seong Jin. Umpires: H S Dhillon (Hong Kong), T S Bhullar (India).

END COLUMN

A king holds court at Queen's

By Mick Cleary

Lorries cluttered the main gate; scaffolding clanged to the ground; bodies scurried hither and dither; a hundred phones clamoured for attention. Life as director of a big tennis tournament is not good for the blood pressure. Clive Bernstein, who has discharged that duty at Queen's Club these past 12 years, takes it all in his stride. "At least it's not raining. Not yet, anyway."

He is used to pre-tournament chaos; indeed, he welcomes it. Back in the mid-Seventies, when he used to holler, "Anyone for tennis?" he was not exactly deafened by the response.

Queen's had staged the pre-Wimbledon thrash for nigh on 90 years but it had been a rather parochial, pass-the-cucumber-sandwiches type of affair. As the dollar began to dominate tennis, interest in Queen's waned and the tournament fell by the wayside for three years.

Then Bernstein, at the time chairman of the club, got together with a chum, Frank Lowe, and relaunched the event in 1977. Its future was sealed with the sponsorship of Stella Artois in 1979. With prize-money this year exceeding £200,000, it is established as an event of standing in its own right.

Of course, there is also the little matter of decent grass-court practice for the Wimbledon aspirants. No one has gone on to take that title since Borg in 1980 without first playing at Queen's.

Putting together a worthwhile and acceptable package was no easy matter and involved numerous obstacles, not the least of which was convincing all the members that it was necessarily a good thing to open up this exclusive club, with its five-year waiting list, to *hoi polloi*. "Vice versa,"



Bernstein: ordered chaos

Bernstein said. "There were also some inbuilt prejudices of the players to allay but I think that now everyone enjoys our smaller, more intimate environment."

Not quite everyone. A few years ago John McEnroe found the attitude of one woman member too starchy for his liking and an unfortunate brouhaha ensued. Bernstein is too discreet and diplomatic a man to elaborate on the incident, or to dwell on any of the stars' foibles. Being with the players and their peccadilloes, though, is an essential part of the job and for all the grey hairs it may induce it is a contact that Bernstein relishes.

"Without them the tournament is nothing. That doesn't mean to say that we bow to every request, just that we try to be as understanding as possible. That I've played the game myself has helped me enormously because I can understand, and even anticipate, their moods. They realize that I'm on their side and even though I may not be able to get them the practice court they want, they at least know that I'm actually trying."

Bernstein's empathy with the players arises from his own amateur career which, at the age of 59, is still very much on the go. He will represent Great Britain in California in August in the veterans' equivalent of the Davis Cup and as a young man participated in Wimbledon from 1948 to 1959 ("You had to get there early on the first Monday to catch me in action").

In his time Bernstein has witnessed the metamorphosis of tennis from gentle pastime to megabuck industry. But for all its financial rewards he does not envy the modern player his lot. "Too many hotels; too much pressure. It's just like a day at the office, as Jimmy Connors would always say."

For all the strain, though, he thinks that today's player is more controlled and stoical in his outlook than was the case 10 years ago. "They've realized they can't survive mentally if they blow up every time they get a bad call."

He admits that any enjoyment he may glean will be retrospective. "When the Duchess of Gloucester presents the trophy, I may then allow myself a congratulatory smile. Mind you, if I do, she may then drop the cup."

Lyle a master at the double

By Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent

The phenomenal Sandy Lyle yesterday won the Dunhill British Masters at Woburn Golf and Country Club with such consummate ease that he is being hailed as the player of the year.

Even Lyle's almost reckless habit of squandering a healthy advantage by making unforced errors could not camouflage his innate skill and authoritative touch. He found another gear after allowing Nick Faldo to reduce his overnight deficit from four shots to one and, with three successive birdies from the eighth, he moved clear again.

From that point it was only a question of by how many shots he would win and his eventual margin of two over Mark McNulty, who scored an outstanding 65, and Faldo (69) does little to reflect the manner in which Lyle commanded the stage.

He is rarely beaten from the front, even if he does give himself and his supporters some nervous moments, and on this occasion he led from the start. His closing 71 gave him a tournament record aggregate of 273, 15 under par.

"It's particularly pleasing to win this title, not only to complete a Masters double but also because it is my first win at home since 1985," Lyle said. "That makes a nice change and it will also take me back to the States in the right frame of mind to continue there where I left off."

Lyle will leave this morning for the Westchester Classic, which starts on Thursday, and the United States Open the following week. By collecting the first prize of £41,660, he has become the first British golfer in history not only to pass the £1 million winnings mark in Europe, but also the $1 million barrier on the US PGA tour, where he has won five times in the last 26 months.

So while Lyle prefers to shun public admiration and the suggestion that he ranks alongside the demigods of the game, a record attendance of 11,448 left the sodden Duke's course in no doubt that he has scaled such heights.

Initially, he held out a hand of friendship to his long-standing rival, Faldo, by taking a six at the sixth, where he was severely punished for a wayward approach shot. Indeed, Faldo, who had ballooned his drive at that hole, produced an exceptional recovery by getting up and down in two from 100 yards out to gain what threatened to be a decisive two-shot swing.

The thought must have crossed Faldo's mind of another gallant recovery similar to that in the Swiss Open in 1983 when he clawed his way back from 11 shots in arrears eventually to overhaul Lyle in a play-off. That was not to be the case this time.

On the eighth tee Lyle drew from his bag the seven-iron with which he struck that unforgettable shot from the bunker at the last hole at Augusta in April. Another pure strike and the ball obediently flew to within six inches of the hole. Lyle joyously tapped it in for a birdie two and he put the issue virtually beyond doubt by gaining a birdie at each of the next two holes.

Faldo did not help his cause by dropping shots at the 11th and 14th holes and so had to make a birdie at two of the last three holes in order to share second place. McNulty, the defending champion, equalled his own course record of 65 with a marvellous inward half of 31 that included five birdies and an eagle three at the 10th.

Card of course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	385	4	10	502	5
2	134	3	11	193	3
3	385	4	12	419	4
4	510	5	13	565	5
5	207	3	14	432	4
6	464	4	15	449	4
7	409	4	16	425	4
8	177	3	17	328	4
9	404	4	18	514	5
Out	3,085	34	In	3,828	38

Total yardage: 6,913 Par: 72



Man in a million: Lyle setting Woburn alight and his cap at unsurpassed riches (Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

Rayfus leads

Paul Rayfus, the defending champion, shared the lead yesterday with Garth McGimpsey in the East of Ireland championship at Balcray, Co Louth, after a five-under-par 68 in the second round for a total of 141.

LEADING FINAL SCORES

(GB and Ire unless stated)

273: A Lyle, 66, 68, 68, 71. 275: M McNulty (Zim), 69, 69, 72, 65; N Faldo, 72, 67, 67, 69. 276: J-M Olazabal (Sp), 69, 68, 71, 68. 279: R Rafferty, 72, 67, 71, 69. 281: M James, 68, 75, 71, 67; P Walton, 73, 68, 71, 69. 282: J M Canizares (Sp), 74, 71, 69, 68. 283: K Brown, 74, 67, 74, 68; L Trevino (US), 69, 75, 70, 69; B Shearer (Aus), 70, 71, 71, 71; R Davis (Aus), 70, 71, 70, 72. 284: C O'Connor jnr, 73, 73, 70, 68; J Anderson (Can), 72, 72, 72, 68; D Smyth, 70, 70, 74, 70; P Senior, 68, 70, 72, 74. 285: I Woosnam, 71, 73, 74, 67; H Baiocchi (SA), 72, 70, 72, 71; J Rivero (Sp), 70, 71, 72, 72; A Murray, 70, 69, 72, 74. 286: W Riley (Aus), 72, 74, 69, 71; J Hawkes (SA), 69, 71, 74, 72. 287: M Persson (Swe), 73, 70, 76, 68; E Darcy, 71, 70, 74, 72; T Charnley, 67, 73, 73, 74. 288: M Lanner (Swe), 71, 76, 72, 69; N Coles, 71, 71, 75, 71; R Lee, 73, 71, 73, 71; G Brand jnr, 72, 72, 73, 71; M Sunesson (Swe), 73, 69, 71, 75; O Moore (Aus), 68, 69, 75, 76. 289: M Pinero (Sp), 70, 73, 76, 70; R Commans, (US), 74, 72, 70, 73; J Rystrom (Swe), 71, 71, 72, 75. 290: D Cooper, 71, 72, 77, 70; L Stephen (Aus), 72, 71, 75, 72; M Allen, 74, 73, 71, 72; M Mackenzie, 68, 75, 74, 73; I Baker-Finch (Aus), 74, 72, 71, 73; B Malley (US), 76, 71, 70, 73; M Martin (Sp), 71, 69, 76, 74; B Lane, 72, 70, 74, 74; A Forsbrand (Swe), 73, 72, 71, 74; O Sellberg (Swe), 69, 75, 72, 74. 291: F Nobilo (NZ), 74, 70, 78, 69; D Williams, 76, 70, 74, 71; M Harwood (Aus), 74, 73, 71, 73; D Feherty, 73, 74, 71, 73; G Taylor (Aus), 69, 75, 73, 74; T Johnstone (Zim), 73, 72, 72, 74.

Smith Eccles thwarted

Steve Smith Eccles, the National Hunt jockey, has been banned from a sports tour to the West Indies because he rode in South Africa this year (Christopher Goulding writes).

Smith Eccles had hoped to participate with his fellow jockeys, who include the champion, Peter Scudamore, in cricket and golfing events. The trip, organized by the Barbados Board of Tourism, left England yesterday. Smith Eccles will now spend his time riding in the United States, but hopes to join his colleagues later in Barbados for a holiday.

Smith Eccles went on the "black list" of the South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee because of his working visit to South Africa. However, he said yesterday: "Next year I would like to take a jockeys' team to race over there."

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Wilander adds yet another French title to his list

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Paris

Mats Wilander, aged 23, is a rumpled looking man with a tidy game and a tidy list of grand slam singles titles: three French and three Australian. The third French championship came his way with sudden ease yesterday when, after Henri Leconte had served for the first set at 5-4, Wilander won the final 7-5, 6-2, 6-1 in an hour and 52 minutes.

Wilander and Steffi Graf are halfway towards grand slams. For both, Wimbledon may present a stiffer challenge than Flushing Meadow. "Obviously, I'm going for them," Wilander said yesterday. "But winning a grand slam is still a dream.

"I expected this match to be more like the first set was — very tight. I thought he would play a little better and come to the net more. The first set was very important. If he'd won it he would have had the crowd with him. But they weren't really there when he needed them."

That first set was a beauty, rich in contrasts. Leconte, twice a break up, produced some dazzling shots and varied the pace and pattern of his game with admirable discipline and control. When he let fly with that top-spun backhand, the shot must have rekindled visions of youth for another left-hander, Rod Laver, who was sitting a few yards away.

But Leconte tends to be adventurously flashy and one wondered how long he could maintain his tactical discretion and technical control. Moreover, it became clear that Wilander was anticipating the nature of Leconte's assaults far more easily than Leconte was guessing the direction of Wilander's passing shots.

"I wasn't playing fancy," Wilander said, "but I was trying to keep him deep on his backhand side. I passed very well — that was the key to the match." That was too modest, too simple. Wilander could not have hit those passing shots but for the fact that his brain and footwork were in perfect harmony.

Wilander's early-warning system told him where to go: and he ran or slid into position with time to spare. When under pressure, he was wonderfully flexible in adjusting the angle of the racket head. Thus, time and again, Wilander kept rallies going until he could transform adversity into opportunity.

When Leconte was serving at 5-4 and 15-30 in the first set, there were hints of rain and thunder. He served a double-fault to go 15-40 down, grabbed the next point, but then — having won the play for position — hit a wild backhand volley to lose the game.

That was decisive. Wilander won six consecutive games at a cost of only eight points. Leconte's discipline began to fray. He had tried to be patient and husband his energy, but it had done him no good. So Leconte began to bang the ball about, desperately hoping that a gamble might restore the losses from logically discreet investments.

The score tells you what happened: an exciting shot-maker was outclassed by a better match-player. Leconte finished the match with shale-spattered clothing. He had taken a fall while misreading, once again, a Wilander passing shot.

At 0-5 down in the third set, Leconte saved two match points and won the game: whereupon 16,500 voices (most of them, anyway) tried to raise him from the dead. But by that time the casting director in charge of such productions had decided that Leconte would play the corpse, Wilander the gravedigger.

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FINALS RESULTS: Singles: Men: M Wilander (Swe) bt H Leconte (Fr), 7-5, 6-2, 6-1. Women: S Graf (WG) bt N Zvereva (USSR), 6-0, 6-0. Boys: N Pereira (Ven) bt M Larsson (Swe), 7-6, 6-3. Girls: J Halard (Fr) bt A Farley (US), 6-2, 4-6, 7-5. Doubles: Men: A Gomez (Ec) and E Sánchez (Sp) bt J Fitzgerald (Aus) and A Jarryd (Swe), 6-3, 6-7, 6-4, 6-3. Women: M Navratilova and P Shriver (US) bt C Kohde-Kilsch (WG) and H Sukova (Cz), 6-2, 7-5. Mixed doubles: L McNeil (US) and J Lozano (Mex) bt B Schultz and M Schapers (Neth), 7-6, 6-2. Boys: J Stoltenberg and T Woodbridge (Aus) bt C Cerratti (It) and G Ivasinevic (Yug), 7-6, 7-5. Girls: A Dechaume (Fr) and E Derly (Fr) bt J Halard (Fr) and M Laval (Fr), 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. Veterans: J Fillol (Chile) and J Kodes (Cz) bt B Hewitt (Aus) and F McMillan (SA), 6-2, 7-6.

The changing face of tennis

Tomorrow *The Times* begins a three-part series on Twenty Years of Open Tennis by Richard Evans, featuring the people who changed the history of the sport.

Britain's medal chances 'halved'

By Jenny MacArthur

John Whitaker's Next Milton, Britain's top show jumper, will not be available for selection for this year's Olympic Games. The announcement, made yesterday by the chairman of the selectors, General Sir Cecil Blacker, came after the Everest Double Glazing Nations Cup event at Hickstead in which Next Milton had confirmed his superiority by completing the only double clear round in the competition — lifting Britain to third place behind France and The Netherlands.

Next Milton's owners, Tom and Doreen Bradley, have said for several weeks that they were reluctant to allow their 10-year-old gelding, the holder of the European team gold and individual silver medals, to complete in Korea. General Blacker thought they could still be persuaded to change their mind but yesterday came his bleak announcement.

General Blacker said that he did not fully understand the Bradleys' reasons but they were "personal and emotional". Next Milton was bought as a yearling by the Bradleys' daughter Caroline, a regular member of the British team until she died in 1983 at the age of 34.

John Whitaker, a man of few words at the best of times, said: "I think we'd be missing a good chance of a medal." That is an understatement as far as Ronnie Massarella, the team manager, is concerned. He said that Next Milton's absence would reduce Britain's chances of winning a medal by 50 per cent.

But there was some consolation for Massarella yesterday. David Broome, competing in *the British team on Queensway* Countryman, gave another convincing performance — following his outings in Rome and Lucerne last month — collecting just four faults in each round and underlining his claims for a place in the Olympic team.

RESULTS: Everest Double Glazing Nations Cup: 1, France, 9½; 2, The Netherlands, 12; 3, Great Britain, 16; equal 4, Ireland and West Germany, 24; 6, Italy, 36½. Australia and Brazil withdrew after first round. Olympic Grand Prix (Saturday): 1, Olympic Sunrise (R Ehrens, Neth), 0 in 40.49; 2, Landlord (L Beerbaum, WG), 0 in 41.38; 3, Next Milton (J Whitaker), 0 in 42.04; 4, Towerlands Angleterre (M Pyrah), 0 in 42.11; 5, Everest Lisnamorrow (J Hunter), 0 in 43.21. Standings for the Gucci Trophy: 1, Great Britain, 16; equal 2, France and The Netherlands, 15½.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Charitable gesture

Ken Brown will donate his entire prize-winnings from the Wang Four Stars golf tournament, which starts at Moor Park on Thursday, to Mencap. The Harpenden branch of Mencap has launced a £240,000 appeal to extend its "Stairways" home which provides extra care for the mentally handicapped in the area.

Brown, who won the Four Stars tournament in 1985, said: "I'm hoping to win again because the £30,000 first prize would take the appeal to the half-way point as they have already raised £90,000."

One behind

Toledo (AP) — Laura Davies goes into the final round of the Jamie Farr classic golf tournament one stroke behind the leader, Nancy Lopez.



Davies: chasing the leader

New format

The International Badminton Federation council meeting in Kuala Lumpur yesterday suggested that a change of format is likely for the next world team championships, in 1990. Proposals will be discussed in Copenhagen later in the year; among them will be the possibility of a three-stage event with a final of six teams instead of eight.

Third death

A third competitor has died in this year's TT races on the Isle of Man: Brian Warburton, aged 54, from Stockport. He crashed his 600cc Honda into a stone wall on the last lap of the Production C race on Saturday and died in the early hours of Sunday morning.

Striking first

Seoul (Reuter) — Greg Louganis, of the United States, gained an important psychological advantage over his Chinese rival, Tan Liangde, by winning the springboard event in the pre-Olympic diving competition on Saturday by 63.24 points.

Holding office

Joyce Smith, the former British record holder for the marathon, has taken over from Tim Hutchings as secretary of the International Athletes' Club.

Consistency pays off for Thelwall

Jane Thelwall and Kings Jester won the Carphone Group's Bramham International three-day event in Yorkshire yesterday for the second successive year, after clear rounds in the cross country and show jumping phases (a Special Correspondent writes).

The partnership maintained their consistent record of finishing in the first three in six out of eight three-day events and must now have earned their place on the Olympic longlist.

Mary Thomson and King Cuthbert, winners here two years ago, were second with Diana Clapham (Jimney Cricket) in third place and Ginny Leng (Beneficial) finishing eighth.

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